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A mother's love has no limits

By SHANNON WILLIAMS
Recorder Editor

Imagine having your only child thousands and thousands of miles away from you. Imagine the pain you would feel. Consider the emotions you would feel each time you turned on the television for an update on the war.

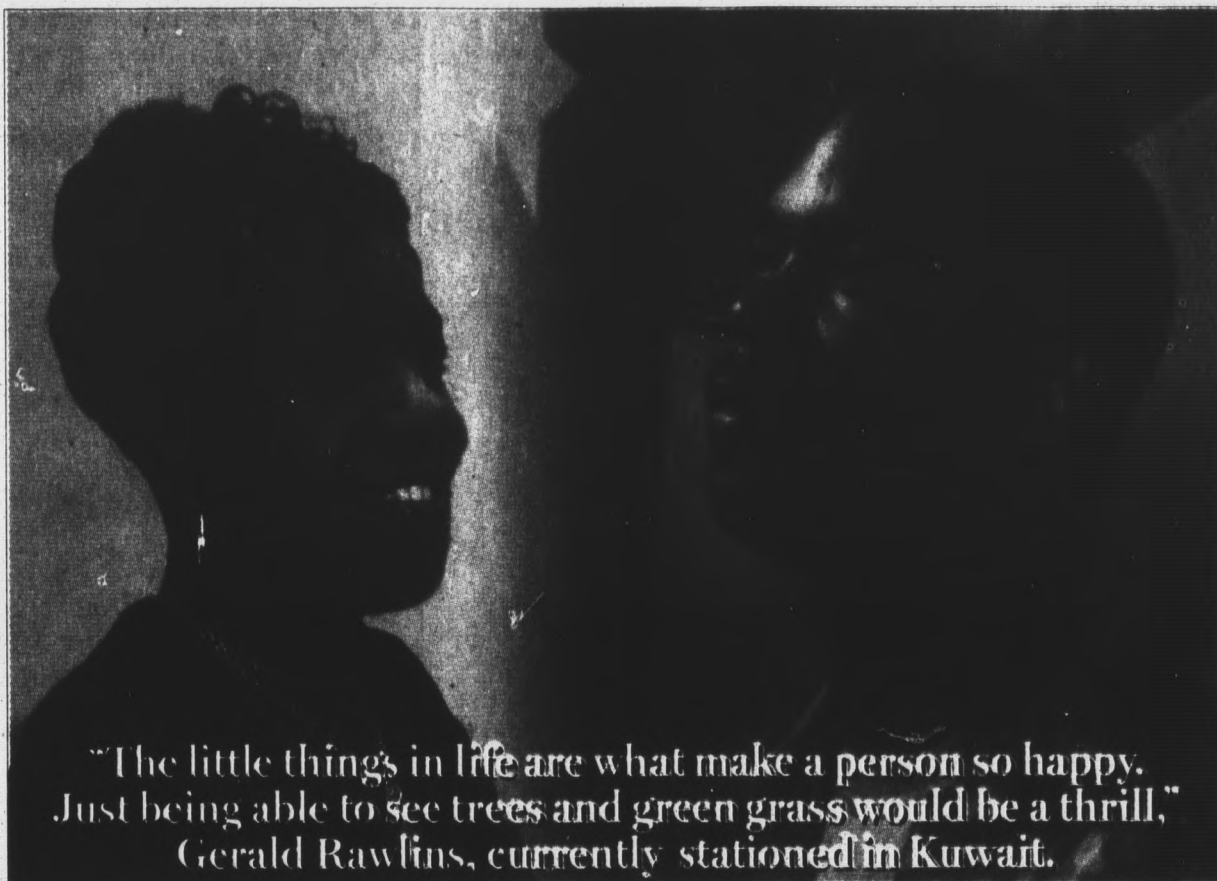
The feelings you would experience are probably exactly how Wyomi Rawlins feels everyday as she thinks about her 30-year-old son Gerald who is in Kuwait protecting the United States.

"There's definitely a void because I can't reach out and talk to him. I've lost my very best friend," Rawlins says as she tries to put into words her anguish.

Gerald, an engineer who has been in the Navy for 11 years, was stationed in Gulfport, MS when he left for the Middle East over two months ago. There, he leaves a seven-month-old daughter and a wife who will be celebrating their first anniversary alone next month. Gerald also has an 11-year-old son, Christopher who resides in Indianapolis.

While experiencing emptiness and fear, Rawlins says that the one emotion that she doesn't feel is anger.

"I'm not angry because that's his duty to be there. He was not drafted, he enlisted (so) he knew there was a possibility he'd be sent if a war ever broke out. I'm not



Wyomi Rawlins and son Gerald. (Photo/J. Hurst)

mad at the president either, there's no need."

In a letter to his mother, Gerald explains the mood of the soldiers by saying many of them experience anxiety attacks. He described the scenery as being "all tan, no color. There's very little grass and the sheep are eating that."

In the letter Gerald also spoke of simple pleasures.

"The little things in life are what make a person so happy. Just being able to see trees and green grass would be a thrill."

So how does a mother find comfort when she learns the conditions her child is living in? And

how does she deal with knowing that there is such a risk involved in fighting a war?

"When I'm feeling down, I spend a lot of time with my grandson, because being with him

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Law School is not just for white men any more. Indiana University School of Law-Indianapolis students Vanessa Villegas-Densford, Lawanda Ward, Tameka Clark and Emile Smith-Dans front of a portrait of former Supreme Court Chief Justice Charles Evans Hughes. (Photo/J. Walker)

ARGUING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

IU-Indianapolis law students to march for affirmative action

By FRAN QUIGLEY
NUVO Newsweekly

A series of framed portraits of graduating classes from the early 20th century hang in the third floor hallway of the Indiana University School of Law-Indianapolis building. Row upon row of stern-looking white faces stare out from these composites: Many years the class is all male, sometimes a white woman is included, inevitably designated as class secretary. These graduates went on to shape Indiana law and commerce as judges, legislators, businessmen and attorneys.

Earlier this month, on the first floor of the same building, several members of the classes of 2003 and 2004 dissect Supreme Court case law and talk about their leadership of the Black Law Students Association and the

Hispanic Law Society. Like their predecessors in the third-floor portraits, they will help shape our community. But in past eras, the only way these men and women of color would be allowed in this building was if they were hired to sweep up after the white students had gone home.

Is there a better argument for affirmative action than that?

Of course, these are loquacious lawyers-to-be, so they won't let the argument end so quickly. They are here to discuss plans to join a civil rights march to the Supreme Court on April 1 in support of admission policies at the University of Michigan. That same day, the court will hear arguments on two cases challenging the university's practice of

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Optometrist Dr. Gloria Jennings retires

She is state's 1st African-American female in that field

By SHANNON WILLIAMS
Recorder Editor

After practicing for more than 22 years, Indiana's first African-American female optometrist has decided to retire. Sort of.

Dr. Gloria Jennings, who is currently a graduate student at Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis has recently sold her practice to pursue other goals. The practice, formerly called Dr. Gloria C. Jennings OD Professional Office, is now Forniss Optometric and is run by 27-year-old Gary native, Dr. Kimberly Forniss. At least for the next year, Jennings will work at Forniss Optometric on a part-time basis, which will make for a smooth transition for Forniss as well as the patients.

Jennings, whose mother was one of the first optometrists in the country to be licensed, says her own historical mark didn't sink in initially.

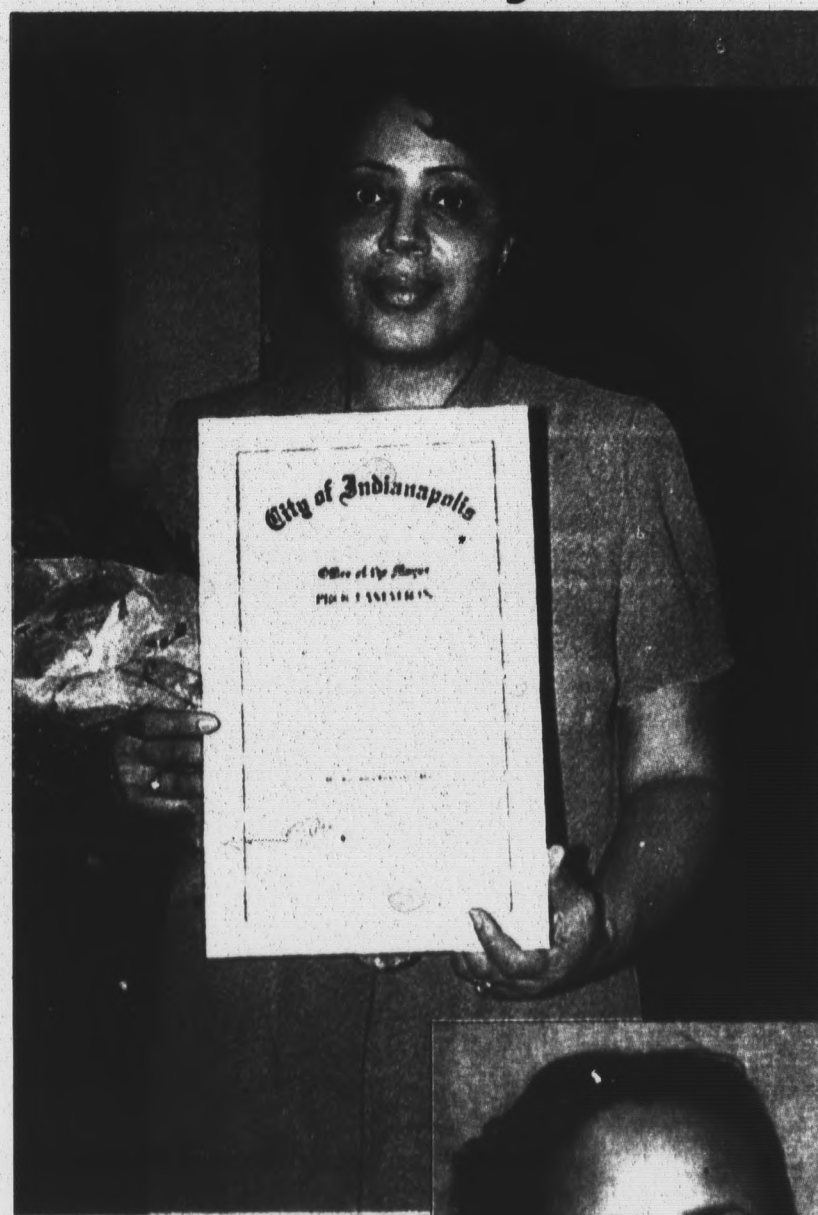
"When I first came out, it didn't hit me until people were saying, 'do you know what you've done?' I guess I didn't take it as being what everyone else had described, but it feels wonderful."

As Jennings said, there were some challenges and struggles, yet she was determined not to neglect her lifelong dream, especially because of her legacy in the optometry field.

"I knew I had an obligation because I was the first and I didn't want to see myself fail at that. I had the confidence (so) I knew I could do it."

What Jennings did was successfully build a practice that started out with very few clients into one that services over 13,000 today.

Jennings said she had previously been approached by other optometrists who were interested in buying her business, but that she recognized something special in Forniss back in 1999 while the optometrist-to-be was completing an externship at Jennings' practice.



"It was a real struggle at first. You don't pay yourself. And you don't know where money to buy anything is coming from," said Dr. Jennings on starting her own practice. (Photo/J. Hurst)

"I knew she was the one," Jennings said of Forniss. "We're a lot alike as far as temperament. She's really (aware) and she'll take care of the customers."

So how does Forniss feel about taking over the practice of such a respected history maker?

"It's definitely very exciting, and obviously a lot of responsibility. She has contributed so much to optometry and her patients just love her. I think I have some big shoes to fill, (but) I'm looking forward to continuing her legacy," said



Dr. Kimberly Forniss

the Southern College of Optometry graduate.

Forniss says that for the most part, everything will remain the same, with only some minor changes such as accepting more types of insurance.

For more information on Forniss Optometric located at 5525 Georgetown Rd., Suite J, call 297-1788.



Judge Walton-Pratt

Judge Walton-Pratt to receive award

The dream team will present Judge Tanya Walton-Pratt with the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. National Outstanding Citizen Award. She is receiving the award in recognition of her many contributions to the city of Indianapolis, the state of Indiana, chairmanship of Dr. MLK, Jr. holiday commission and many other community services.

James Perkins Jr., who is the first Black mayor of Selma, Ala., will be the keynote speaker at a brunch organized by the Muncie Martin Luther King dream team at the Muncie Community Civic Center on March 22.

Urban League forms committee to find CEO

George Taylor, president, board of directors, announced

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Report says African immigrants out earn African Americans

(Special to the NNPA) — African Americans are trailing immigrants from the Caribbean and sub-Saharan Africa in income and education, according to a study conducted by the State University of New York at Albany.

The report, "Black Diversity in Metropolitan America," says African immigrants stay in school an average

of 14.5 years and Caribbean Americans an average of 12.8 years, compared to 12.5 years of schooling for Black Americans.

"The main routes to America for Africans is through institutions of education," said John Logan, director of the Lewis Mumford Center for Comparative Urban and Regional Research and author of the report.

Nearly 70 percent of the Afro-Caribbeans earned a median household income of \$40,000; while the median African household income was \$40,300, according to figures from the 2000 Census. African Americans had a median household income of \$33,500.

However, Ron Walters, a University of Maryland political science pro-

fessor, told reporters the levels are higher because so few of them are allowed into the country.

"It reflects the racism in U.S. immigration policy," Walters said. "If they allowed Africans and West Indians to immigrate in the same numbers they allow Vietnamese, their income and educational averages would fall."

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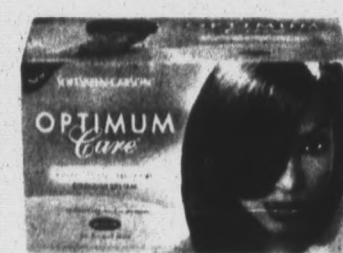


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about him coming home and something is different with him mentally. That's what scares me, (if) the war is going to mess with his mind."

Although Gerald has not expressed any feelings of sadness, Rawlins says that during a conversation with him last week, she noticed something different.

"He asked me to pray for him and with him. At that moment I felt something different because he never asked me (that). He also said, 'remember, whatever happens, that I love you.' (Usually) he tries to make me think that he's ok," said Rawlins.

In an effort to ease the minds of her son and the other men and women in the Middle East, Rawlins urges the community to support the military.

"My son says that they don't feel like they're being supported by Blacks. They don't want to be there, but they're there. They need all the prayer and uplifting that they can get. (People) should take the time to write them a letter because my son says 'there's nothing like getting a letter from home.'"

NFHA

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housing.

Although the act prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability or familial status, there are instances in which certain housing is exempt.

The Fair Housing Act does not cover owner-occupied housing with four or fewer units, a single-family house sold or rented by owner, but the act allows religious organizations to limit the sale, rental or occupancy of its housing to individuals of the same religion as long as its not limited to people of a certain race, color or national origin.

The NFHA has 175 units nationwide and while Indianapolis will help increase membership, the Fair Housing Center is hoping to decrease housing discrimination in the community.

Through education, training, aiding and enforcement, NFHA promotes equal housing, lending and insurance opportunities.

The management work plan for establishing a new group in Indianapolis, the NFHA will work with groups and individual representing the federally protected classes to serve on the board of directors, train board members about their responsibilities of operating the Fair Housing Center, train staff to negotiate settlements through Housing and Urban Development and other plans.

"One of the most important factors pertaining to the Fair Housing Center is that it's independent and private and not associated with the city," said Swesnik. "Another factor we want to enforce is that fair housing is not only a low income issue, the problem crosses class and race lines."

The Fair Housing Center will also work with housing providers such as banks and realtors to make sure people are receiving affordable housing.

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taking race into account when deciding who to admit to its undergraduate and law schools. "We have an obligation to go there and have our voices be heard," says Lawanda Ward, president of the Black Law Students Association.

First of all, those voices will clarify what they are supporting. "Affirmative action as most people think of it does not exist," says Tameka Clark. "It is usually equated with quotas, which makes people cringe. But that's not the case."

She's right. The use of racial quotas for university admission was struck down by the Supreme Court in the same 1978 Bakke case that found that race could be one factor used in admission policies. The Michigan undergraduate school awards points on a competitive scale to applicants who are underrepresented racial minorities, with a similar number of points available to poor white applicants.

When the IU-Indianapolis students say race needs to continue to be considered, they are in good company. Over 60 amicus curiae briefs have been filed in support of the Michigan policies, including arguments by several former Joint Chiefs of Staff and the students' own Indiana University. Secretary of State Colin Powell has expressed his support for affirmative action, no big surprise given that race-conscious policies have effectively integrated the U.S.

military leadership. The chief argument for maintaining race-conscious admission policies is that our society has not yet overcome a national heritage of slavery and discrimination. As Justice Harry Blackmun famously wrote in the Bakke decision, "In order to get beyond racism, we must first take race into account."

And we're not beyond racism yet. "We've had white students come up to us and say, 'Segregation is over, why do we need affirmative action now?'" says Emile Smith. "But that's a myth. Segregation still exists, it is just not as overt. And segregation especially exists in education and the professional fields." Disparities also exist in every measure of income, wealth and property ownership, which all show white Americans to be far ahead of African-American and Latino minorities.

Recent history shows that the problem would be much worse without affirmative action. When the University of California in 1996 adopted "race blind" measures for admission to elite schools, minority enrollment dried up to the point where only one African American was admitted to the prestigious Boalt Hall law school in Berkeley.

Another compelling argument for maintaining race-conscious policies is that they are necessary to counter-balance other admission advantages, such as the "legacy" boost enjoyed by a sub-par Texas applicant for the Yale class of 1968 whose father was a prominent and generous alumnus of the

school. "Merit has never been an objective criteria only," says Smith. "It is more than just numbers on grade point averages and LSAT. Life story matters. It always has."

Vanessa Villegas-Densford is glad it does. The president of the school's Hispanic Law Society is frank about the effects of her struggles to learn English and deal with her family's poverty after coming to Indiana from Puerto Rico as an 8-year-old. "If it wasn't for affirmative action and diversity programs, I probably wouldn't be in law school," she says.

But Villegas-Densford was admitted, and will graduate in May, one of only three Latinos in her class. She will then put her degree to use in representing the community's burgeoning Latino population.

"You can't ignore the disparities between the races in income and school quality," she says. "Until we fix those inequalities, we still need to consider race as a factor."

For more information on the civil rights march to the Supreme Court, check www.bamn.com. For information on an Indianapolis bus heading to the march, contact ecsmith70@yahoo.com or 253-0737.

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Imani School loses its charter

By ERICKA C. WHEELER
Staff Writer

The Imani School of Excellence, one of the city's charter schools, had its charter revoked this week. The school has not yet opened.

Imani organizers, which were granted a charter in 2001, have been having difficulty finding a facility to operate in, as well as having financial problems. Edison Schools, a corporation that operates schools around the country, was providing some of the start-up funds for the Imani School, but it pulled out after a year of support.

Edison, which was to help run the Imani School, is reported to be having financial problems of its own.

About six weeks ago, the charter school board asked Imani organizers to come up with a new outline for the school. At a board meeting Tuesday it was decided the board needed more information before opening the charter school.

"The best thing for Imani is to stop, take a breath, and collect their thoughts," said Bill Shrewsberry, chairman of the board of Indianapolis charter schools. "We are not picking on Imani, but education is serious, and it would be a tragedy to open a school and have it close. Then parents would have to relocate their children."

Imani organizers have partnered with Mosaica Education of New York, and Imani said that they would resubmit for their charter in April, when the mayor's office will begin accepting letters of intent for review.

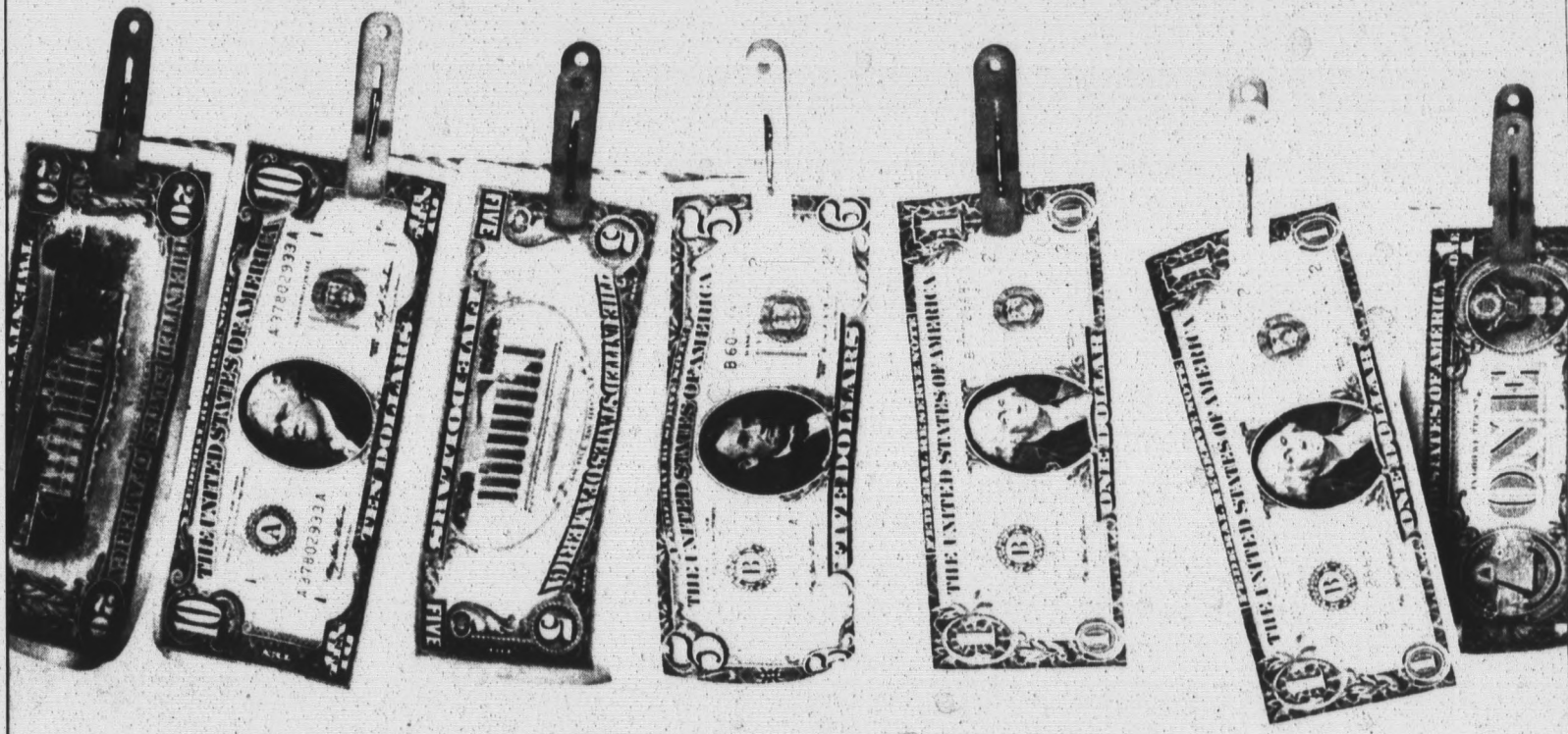
The charter, which was revoked from Imani was given to Dr. Andrew J. Brown charter school organizers, which was approved to open in September of 2003.

"Dr. Andrew J. Brown was denied a charter twice, and are now

finally granted a charter," said Shrewsberry. Dr. Andrew J. Brown School will be located on the city's Eastside, near 30th and German Church Road. National Heritage Association, the start-up funding and support institution for the Brown charter school, services schools around the nation, including Dayton, Ohio. "Some of our board members went over to Dayton to take a look at the school," said Shrewsberry.

"Indiana Black Expo will be involved in Dr. Andrew J. Brown charter school as well," said Shrewsberry. "They will assist in helping the students and parents with curriculum."

Charter schools are non-traditional public schools that control their own curriculum, staffing and spending. These schools are "choice" schools to parents in the city. Currently there are six approved charters in Indianapolis, with three of them, including Dr. Andrew J. Brown school, set to open in the fall of 2003.



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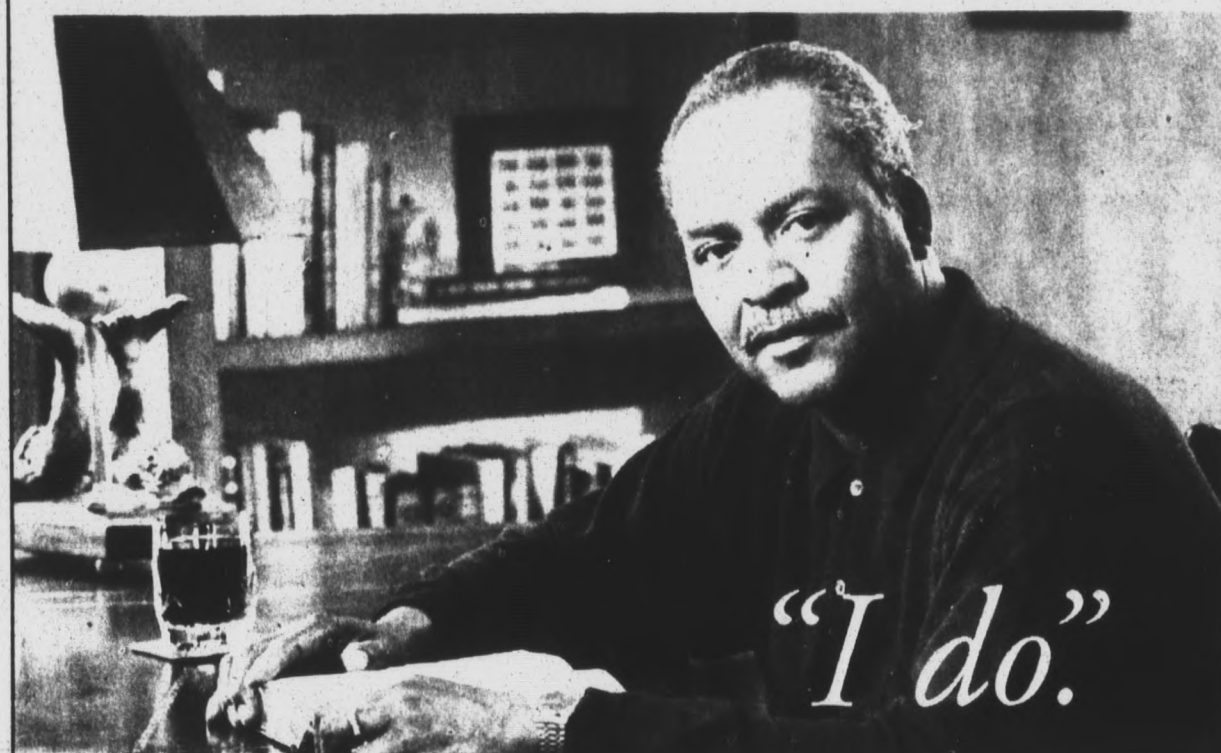
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Study finds poor children have more disabilities

(Special to the NNPA) — Poverty has been linked to disabilities among African-American children, a new study finds.

The study analyzed data on 400,000 children and adolescents, including nearly 23,000 disabled children, who were involved in 14 annual editions of the ongoing National Health Interview Survey between 1979 and 2000.

"If we as a nation want to reduce health disparities between Black and white children, we need to address the underlying inequities in family income," lead author Dr. Paul Newacheck, a professor of health policy at the University of California, told reporters.

Disability rates increased among both Blacks and whites during the time period. The increase was 77 percent among Black children, however, in comparison to 47 percent among white children.

"Low-income families face considerable disadvantages," Newacheck said. "Their children are more likely to live in unsafe neighborhoods, have poor nutrition and low-quality health services. All of these factors affect whether children get illnesses and how severe they are."

Newacheck recommends early detection of possible health problems.

"Parents should also be sure their children receive regular check-ups," he added. "Early detection of health problems can make a big difference in preventing severe health problems."

Veteran executed for killing fellow soldier

said Iraqi nerve gas caused brain damage

TERRE HAUTE, Ind. (AP) — A decorated Gulf War veteran who claimed his exposure to Iraqi nerve gas caused him to rape and kill a female soldier was executed by injection Tuesday.

Louis Jones Jr., 53, died by injection at the U.S. Penitentiary near Terre Haute after President Bush and the U.S. Supreme Court refused his two final requests that they intervene.

Jones, who had no previous criminal record, admitted kidnapping 19-year-old Pvt. Tracie Joy McBride from a Texas Air Force base, raping her and beating her to death with a tire iron.

His attorneys said exposure to the gas caused severe brain damage that led him to kill. The issue was not raised at Jones' trial because he became aware of the exposure only afterward.

Jones was the third person — after Oklahoma City bomber Timothy McVeigh and drug kingpin Juan Garza — put to death by the federal government since it resumed executions in 2001 after a 38-year suspension. The federal government handled the prosecution because McBride was abducted from a military base.

"Today was a day of justice for Tracie," said Irene McBride, the victim's mother. She witnessed the execution along with her husband and their four other children.

"Everybody is glad this is over. It's been a long eight years," she said. "The healing is not over; it's just beginning."

In Jones' final moments, he looked toward the room where the witnesses he had selected were watching and mouthed the words "I love you." He did



Louis Jones Jr.

not look toward the room where McBride's family watched.

Asked if he had a last statement, Jones said: "Although the Lord hath chastised me forth, he hath not given me over unto death."

He then began singing a hymn with the refrain: "In the cross, in the cross, be my glory ever 'til my raptured soul shall find rest beyond the river."

Jones was declared dead at 7:08 a.m.

In a statement read later by his lawyer, Jones said: "I accept full responsibility for the pain, anguish and the suffering I caused the McBrides for having taken Tracie from them."

Jones' attorney, Timothy Floyd, said the execution "represents the failure of the federal government to understand and be accountable for the impact of nerve agents on the soldiers who were exposed to it in the service of their country."

About 60 death penalty opponents held a candlelight vigil near the prison. No death penalty supporters were present.

A sign leaning against a fence in front of the group said: "The tragic irony: As we rush recklessly to war with Iraq we are killing a veteran of the first Gulf War."

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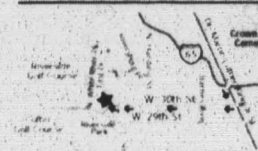
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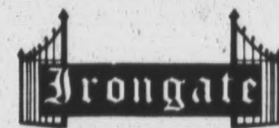
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recently that a committee has been formed to lead a search for a new chief executive officer for the Indianapolis Urban League. The committee will be lead by Essie Fagan Johnson, vice president of human resources for Mays Chemical Co., and a member of the Indianapolis Urban League board.

Other committee members are: Ellen Annala, United Way of Central Indiana; Carmen Hansen-Rivera; Brandt Hardy, National City Bank; Judge James Kirsch, Indiana Court of Appeals; Roger Lyons, Irwin Mortgage Corp.; Brian McDonald, IUL staff representative; Robert Turner, Department of Public Safety; Michael Twyman, Nina Mason Pulliam Charitable Trust; Bill West, Mays Chemical Co.; and Karen Wright, Greater Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce.

The committee expects by year-end to identify a successor to Sam H. Jones, who recently retired as president of the Indianapolis Urban League after 36 years in the position.

Testing for illnesses at Forest Manor

The first Forest Manor Community Open House is being held to celebrate over 30 years of service to the community and highlight the center's services along with other community organizations. This event is open to the public and will be held March 29, from 3 to 5 p.m. at Forest Manor Multi Service Center, 5603 E. 38th St. The open house will offer free screenings for cholesterol, sickle cell, diabetes (glucose), depression, high blood pressure, cancer and HIV/AIDS. Other activities will include free door prizes to the first 50 people, a football toss with the Indiana Firebirds, the Indiana Blast, and other special events.

Ransburg YMCA will have open house

The Ransburg Branch of YMCA will host a Special Needs Open House March 22, from 2 to 4 p.m. Learn about YMCA's adaptive swim lesson program and parent's night out for families with special needs children. Learn about other programs for your family and take a tour of the Ransburg Branch facility. RSVP to Heather Lambert, aquatics director, by telephone at 367-8441 ext. 215 or e-mail hlambert@indyymca.org. The Ransburg Branch YMCA is located at 501 N. Shortridge Road, across from the Eastgate Consumer Mall east of Shadeland Avenue.

Walk to fight homelessness March 23

A 5 kilometer walk to fight homelessness in Indianapolis will be Sunday. Registration begins at noon at University Park downtown. The walk will start at 2 p.m.

Sorority benefit dinner and dance

Iota Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc., is sponsoring a benefit dinner and dance March 21. This event will take place at the Garrison Lodge, 6002 N. Post Road (Fort Benjamin Harrison army base). Proceeds from this event will go to the American Cancer Society's "Look Good Feel Good" program. The "Look Good Feel Good" program teaches women who are undergoing cancer treatments special beauty and appearance techniques to help restore one of their most important resources: self-image. Tickets for the event are \$40 per person. For more information call (317) 979-1113.

Citizens Gas reminds community to call before you dig

If you plan to dig a hole, install a fence, tear down a building, or engage in other earth-moving activity, you must call the State's One-Call Service at 1-800-382-5544, at least two days in advance to have underground utility lines marked at no cost. While state law requires notification calls two days before such work, additional time may be needed to have utilities marked.

"We have seen an increase in the number of accidental cuts of gas lines in various parts of the county over the past couple of weeks as digging activity has increased with the onset of warmer temperatures. We urge everyone planning to dig a hole or engage in other earth-moving activity to call the State One-Call

Office (Indiana Underground Plant Protection Service) to ensure a safe work area," said Lindsay Lindgren, vice president of gas operations for Citizens Gas.

In the event of a ruptured gas line at their home or business, residents are reminded of the following:

- Leave the area of the gas leak immediately, being careful not to light matches, touch electrical switches or use the telephone. Also do not start vehicles of any kind that are located near the gas leak.
- Once away from the area of the leak, call Citizens Gas at (317) 924-3311.
- Remain in the safe area until emergency personnel arrive.



Eloise J. Solomon

A Survival Story

The author, Eloise J. Solomon, is the author of a number of articles play, and pep song books. She is a retired teacher from the Indianapolis City School Elder W. Diggs #42, where she taught for more than 25 years. She received many awards from Camp Fire Girls of Indiana, Phi Delta Kappa, Inc., N.E.A. NAACP and other organizations. Ms. Solomon is an ordained Elder at the Witherspoon Presbyterian Church of Indianapolis. She served as member of the Whitewater Valley Candidates Committee, recruiting students from the Presbyterian Theological Seminaries for the Presbyterian Ministry. Mrs. Solomon, is a graduate of Clark Atlanta University, Butler University and John Herron School of Art. She has also studied at Moody Bible College and is a musician. Mrs. Solomon is the widow of Mr. Juan C. Solomon.

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War adds to what ails families

As our country braces for another war with Iraq, images of the countless men, women, and children who will be affected by this onslaught continue to appear in my subconscious thoughts. The families that are forever affected by a war often go unnoticed. Human life and the institution of family seem to have taken a back seat to political power, influence, financial and economic benefits.

The innocent families who will lose loved ones on all sides of the war, whether it is through terrorist acts, collateral damage, or during the fight to "free the Iraqi people," the family unit will be forever damaged. Once the family unit is destroyed, the battle to heal or repair it is a life long journey.

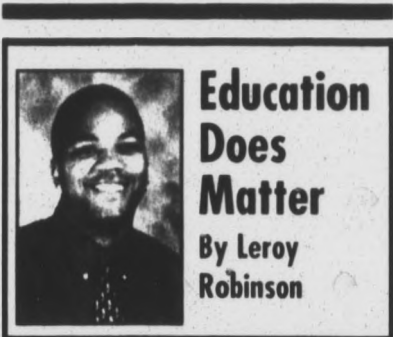
Families tend to show more love and appreciation for one another during the time of a major crisis. The major crisis that has had the most lasting and damaging impact on the African-American family is the institution of slavery.

Due to our lack of education on this issue, our families have never been able to fully recover from this horrific experience in our historic past. The family is the cornerstone of the entire worldwide community. When the family unit is broken and destroyed, the effects are felt in every segment of our society.

During the entire disastrous ordeal of slavery, the most important aspect of the family that came under constant attack was the institution of marriage. The slaveholders knew that in order to destroy the strong African family structure that was in place on the continent of Africa, the institution of marriage had to be destroyed first.

Author William Goodell, in his book, *The American Slave Code*, describes it this way: "The slave has no rights, of course, he or she cannot have the rights of a husband, a wife. The slave is a chattel and chattels do not marry. The slave is not ranked among sentient beings, but among things, and things are not married."

A positive and healthy marriage is the cornerstone of a positive and healthy family. Without this marriage, the family and the entire community will suffer forever. The foundation of a positive and healthy marriage is that of manhood (fatherhood) and womanhood (mother-



Education Does Matter
By Leroy Robinson

hood). Each individual is born into our society to be a productive man or woman. However, to take on the role of being a positive contributor to that society (manhood and womanhood) and to continue to add positive contributors to that same society (fatherhood and motherhood) is entirely a different matter.

The ability to develop into these roles was also stripped from our African-American ancestors during the institution of slavery. The Black man's value was determined by his physical strength and by his ability to produce children. The stronger the Black male slave was and the more children he could produce is parallel to that of a horse, hence the word "stud." A male horse also received his net worth and value according to his ability to produce strong and healthy offspring.

To love and respect; provide for and protect this offspring, which is true fatherhood, was not the responsibility of the natural father.

These virtues played no role in the value and worth of his manhood. This role was designated to the master who gladly accepted it. Any real man, who attempted to assert himself into the role of a father, was considered a troublemaker and was punished or even killed.

This same master-slave relationship is being carried out in our modern society, where the government provides assistance through the "Women Infants and Children" (WIC) program, providing that the children's father stay away.

Today, we see millions of African-American "off-spring" being supported by the slave master's system instead of by the children's natural father. These men, who lack manhood and fatherhood skills, continue to express delight in their physical and sexual exploits. These unnatural fathers love and respect; provide for and protect their cars, clothes, and material possessions better than they

do their own children.

The slave woman, who rarely experienced the opportunity to be a mother and a wife, was more valuable for her ability to become a "breeder" than anything else. And her ability to single-handedly raise and mold strong and healthy children was also an asset. During this process, she was also instructed to teach her children strict obedience to the master and if need be, provide sexual pleasures for him as well.

The Black woman was reduced to having sex with men, Black and white, with whom she had no human attachment to and to being the "super-woman" single mom that she is today. The womanhood and motherhood of our ancestors was forever altered and damaged and the natural nurturing and dignity that she once carried as a badge of honor began to disappear.

Due to this frustration, many young single moms of the past and present physically and verbally abuse their children. Or they turn their son's into "Mama's boys" because of the overprotection they provide them in order to prevent them from being harmed in a society that they feel is too cruel for their "baby boys."

The African-American family continues to come under attack through more subliminal ways. Government assistance programs, Hollywood movies, music videos, television sitcoms, *Divorce Court*, and *Temptation Island* are some of the subtle ways in which our society attempts to destroy the family structure. The impending war in the Middle East, with the possible loss of hundreds of thousands of lives, will also tug on the strength of families from across the world. From slavery to the modern day era, when will our world leaders understand that the breakdown and disruption of any positive and productive family unit is the cause for all that ails our world community. You cannot destroy the natural functioning of someone else's family unit without destroying the functioning of your own.

For speaking engagements or education workshops, contact me at: educationdoesmatter@hotmail.com or write me at: 9701 E. 63rd St., Indianapolis, IN. 46236. My contact number is (317) 502-0272.

EDUCATOR OF THE WEEK

Name:
Duana R. Barnett-Ellington

Hometown:
Cincinnati, OH

College attended:
Fisk University

Year of graduation:
May, 1984

Began teaching in:
1994; after 10 years of working as a trainer for Fifth/Third Bank, felt a call to return to the classroom.

School where currently working:
Jewel Christian Academy



How Long:
4 years

Grade level:
5th and 6th grade combination

Why do you have the desire to teach?
I believe teaching is a calling and I'm so glad to be called for a time such as this. Teaching is one of the most beautiful compensations of this life. The daily gift of being able to motivate, guide, nurture, and educate young minds is awesome!

What has been the most rewarding thing I have done as a teacher?
The most rewarding experience happens at the moment I see the light of knowledge appear in the eyes of a student. I take comfort in knowing that I left a positive connection with each "jewel" I get to polish daily.

What has been the most challenging aspect of teaching?
Getting the funding necessary to achieve the desired levels of academic excellence society requires.

In the future, what changes would you like to see in schools?
I would love to see an endowment fund established that all educators could tap into to ensure the successful empowering of America's youth is taking place on a daily basis. I would also like to see prayer returned to schools. After all, one of this nation's most well known phrases is "In God we trust." Let us show our children that we mean it.

Montessori Academy teaches from global aspect

By ERICKA C. WHEELER
Staff Writer

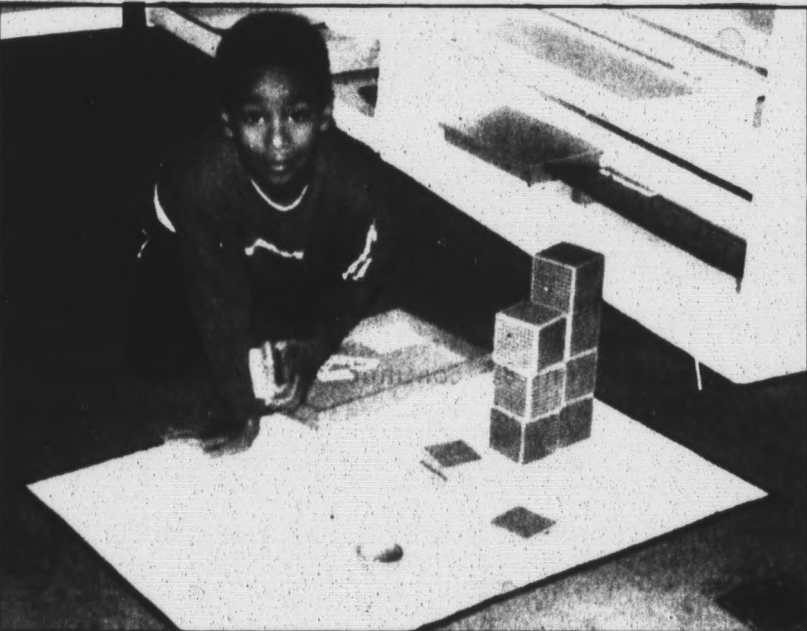
Montessori Academy of Indianapolis (MAI), located on the city's Northside near 76th Street and Michigan Road, has established a profound curriculum for its pre-school through kindergarten students.

The only privately owned African-American Montessori school in Indianapolis admits students regardless of sex, race, color, or national and ethnic origin.

"We tried another care before and we were not satisfied," said an Asian-American parent Teayoum Kim. "We felt that Montessori really cared for kids, and we are very satisfied."

MAI is funded through tuition, which is paid by the parents on a monthly or annual basis. The school teaches in a cozy home-like setting environment, where children immediately enter the school and take off their shoes and put on their house slippers.

Vivian Cain, founder and teacher of the school, is dedicated to teaching the students global studies such as the seven continents of the world. "Our curriculum is highly global, we study each continent of the world separately," said Cain. "My students can tell you about each of the seven continents." Other important skills offered are Spanish speaking class in which the teachers speak only Spanish during the entire class, daily living habits; ironing, washing,



At the Montessori Academy of Indianapolis, kindergarten student Andrew Finnell, gets hands on experience in mathematics.

sewing and excelled reading, writing, and math courses.

"The school is very individualized, and my son has really excelled in terms of reading," said MAI parent Shari Finnell. "He is also already learning to add in the thousands in kindergarten."

Indeed, Finnell's son reads at a second grade level, and read an entire book to his fellow classmates. After he finished reading the book, the kindergarten students were asked to fill in the blanks on a worksheet which coincided with what Finnell's son read. Students had their chance to read a sentence, pick the correct word to fill in the blank, and also to spell the correct answer.

The Montessori program dates back to the late 1800s, when it

was started and headed by Italian psychologist Maria Montessori. She believed that through psychological research that children could learn by the involvement of their surroundings. The idea of freedom initiative was also installed into the Montessori curriculum, where students are free to move about as they feel. The children at MAI, are allowed to come to the quiet zone area of the school to escape the noisy school environment. "It helps children to build independence and that is critical with age," said educator Shelly Roberts. "They have a great desire to explore and discover their world and they have something that calls from the inside of them."

Currently, there are 26 Montessori schools operating under the American Montessori Society (AMS) in Central Indiana. Montessori education is widely taught all over the United States and internationally.

MAI is currently educating over 40 families. It also offers extended before and after school care for working parents. This summer, MAI will offer a summer camp, which will cover extensive learning objectives from the beginning of June until mid-August.

Along with their extensive learning tools, the school does not neglect to include other important tools often seen in traditional public schools. Monthly fire drills, meals, show and tell time, school pictures, and parent/teacher conferences are outlined in the parent handbook.

"We are planning to expand to the fifth grade by the 2005-2006 school year," said Cain.

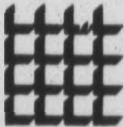
For more information about Montessori Academy of Indianapolis, you may attend their open houses each Tuesday and Thursday at 2 p.m. MAI is located at 7507 N. Michigan Road. You may call Vivian Cain at (317) 291-5557 or (317) 373-5737. E-mail: montessoriacademyofindy@msn.com.

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Diverse futures for minority seniors

By Hilary Powell
North Central
High School
Recorder Intern

When Elke Morgan, 17, was 4 years old, she knew that she wanted to go to college. Her mom, who received a master's degree in teaching from the University of West Indies Mona campus in Jamaica, had instilled in her the importance of education, she says.

"Education begins with parents," Morgan said, "but I definitely think it's a personal choice to learn."

Morgan, a senior at North Central High School, represents the increasing trend of Black students who are choosing to make education a personal priority. The members of the 2003 senior class, specifically minorities, are utilizing not only colleges and institutions of higher learning, but also vocational schools and national armed forces programs to ensure an educationally secure future.

According to the American Council on Education, over the past two decades, though Black college graduation rates have decreased from 81 percent in 1985, to just 55 percent in 1998, college

completion among African Americans aged 25 to 29 peaked at 15 percent in 1997. Indiana boasts a 55 percent graduation for Blacks according to the Manhattan Institute for Policy Research. There is an increase in college attendance has come in the form of scholarships, outreach programs, and initiatives geared toward Black youth.

Studies show that because of a statewide initiative begun in February, educators are currently reviewing a proposed plan addressing the achievement gap in higher education. The plan outlines ways to increase minority attendance by better preparing students for college, increasing the number of students who graduate, and making college more affordable.

"You have the upper hand as a minority because there is a lack of (these) students in college," Morgan said. As a member of the National Achiever's Society and the National Honor Society, Morgan says she maintains her High Honor Roll GPA by pushing herself to succeed. She insists that she will continue to set goals high when she enters Indiana University as a freshman this



fall.

"I am not going to limit myself in college," she said. "There are Ph.D.s, M.D.s, and bachelors, and the list goes on and on."

In conjunction with college efforts, Indiana high schools are making efforts to increase minority enrollment by creating support groups for minorities. In Washington Township, the North Central Multicultural Scholar's Academy is collaborating with the Center for Leadership Development to mentor middle and high school students through the Minority Achievement Gap Initiative, MAGI.

Yet, college attendance by Blacks may be reflective of the advantages of other programs today.

Some high schools are taking steps to prepare students for college alternatives with vocational programs and military training programs, such as ROTC.

Students involved in ROTC in high school enhance leadership development while improving their leadership skills. Students can continue the course as an elective in college while they work toward a degree.

With the onset of crisis and conflict in the Middle East, students like Justin Marice Richardson, 18, chose to enlist in the Army.

"I wanted to gain more self-discipline, and I have two people who look up to me, and for them to see me fail would not be good, so I joined the service," Richardson said.

Richardson, a 2002 graduate of North Central High School, says Army reserve programs are not for everyone, but they teach beneficial, lifelong lessons.

"I don't regret joining the Army because now I look at life in a totally different perspective," Richardson said. "I am more grateful for what I have. If you want to learn more about yourself and gain discipline, then it's for you."

Vocational schools, such as the J. Everett Light Career Center (JEL), which provides opportunities for over 10 Indiana high schools, increase the chance of immediate certification for jobs following high school graduation.

Senior Bobby Jackson, 17, says he plans to use the two years of experience he has gained as a student in the computerized accounting course at JEL when he attends International Business College in the fall. Jackson believes his training in the vocational course has prepared him for a two-year school, and will enable him to gain work

experience earlier.

"With a two-year school, I can still get an associate's degree, but I can get out of school faster and into the workforce earlier," he said.

Jackson has already gained experience working with computing networks at Martin University, and says he wants to continue working in a fast-paced environment, rather than attending a four-year university.

"JEL classes are fast-paced, and two-year schools are more focused on your career," Jackson said. "Every class is related to your major."

Though minority students are finding diverse outlets for their talent, efforts to increase minority student attendance is still a prevalent issue for Indiana educators. According to the Indiana Commission for Higher Education, minorities still graduate from state colleges at half the rate of the entire student body.

Yet, some minority students believe that their educational future is a self decision, not one to be made by state educators as a mandate.

"I've always had a general want and desire to further my education," Morgan said, "and throughout life I will always be doing some kind of learning."

The Journalism and Writing Seminar (JAWS) program of the Indianapolis Recorder is seeking students for the 2003-2004 program year, which will begin in September.

The mission of JAWS is to develop professional communication skills for youth who plan on pursuing a career in journalism. JAWS facilitators offer students from various high schools in Indiana, instruction on research, interviewing, and writing for newspapers through seminars.

If you are interested in applying for a JAWS internship, call the Recorder office at 317-924-5143 to obtain an application packet. Spaces are limited, so call today.



Hanging out in malls and having fun are teen favorites

By Donesha Smith
Southport High School
Recorder Intern

Getting "crunk," getting "hype," and just plain having fun are the things that teens in Indianapolis like to do.

Parents and grandparents had a totally different way of having fun than teens do today.

"Eddie's Drive-In on what was then called Northwestern, which is now Martin Luther King Jr., the skating rink, and Al Green's were some places my friends and I used to hang out," said grandparent, Annette Anderson.

"I used to look at Sammy Terry on Nightmare Theater every Friday night. On Saturday's my friends and I went shopping and to the movies. The teens of my day and age had to be home when

the streetlights came on. On Sunday's I attended church all day because of my religious upbringing," Anderson said.

Malls, under-21 clubs, movie theaters, and skating rinks are some common places where teens hang out today.

Andria Sheppard, a student at Northview Middle School, said, "I like to go to Circle Centre mall because I like to meet new people and shop at the same time. My favorite stores to shop at are Rave and Bakers. I also like to shop at Lazarus because they always have new styles at reasonable prices."

Sophomore Daniece Phifer, of Southport High School said, "I like to go to the \$1.50 movie because it's cheap. I also like it because I can go with my friends and chill and also meet new people. After the movies, we

go out and eat at the Golden Corral and talk."

"I like to hang out at all of the malls," said Alecia Toles, a junior at Southport High.

"Bath & Body Works, Victoria's Secret, Old Navy, and Payless are some stores where I like to shop. I also like the arcade room in the Circle Centre mall. Toles said.

"I like to go to the Showplace 12 movie theater in the Glendale mall. Toles continued. "Another place I like to go is church. I attend Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church. I'm head of the Junior Usher Board. I was the 2001 Women's Day speaker. Next month I will be speaking at Mount Olive Missionary Baptist Church for their Sister 2 Sister Dedication service."

Young leaders have goals and aspirations

By Garrett Gammons
Cardinal Ritter
High School
Recorder Intern

Leaders are so many things. They are examples; they are risk takers; they are thinkers; they are leaders with goals and aspirations.

There are many young people who fit the true definition of a leader. They help out in the community; do well in school; and have plans for the future.

One such leader in the community is Christopher Washum, a senior at Broad Ripple High School. Washum is one of the top 10 students in his class with a 6.0 grade point average on an 8.0 grading scale.

He is president of M.O.R.E. (Men of Ripple Enhanced), which is a community service club for young men who dedicate time to helping out in the community. Washum is also known to students and faculty as the "voice" of Broad Ripple. He does morning announcements and announces for boys football and basketball games.

Washum attends Barnes United Methodist Church where he is very active. He plays drums for the second service at the church and is an active member of the youth group, and is in charge of the video and audio ministry which broadcasts the church services.

In the fall, Washum plans to attend Philander Smith College in Little Rock, Ark., where he will major in middle

school education and minor in science. Washum took a trip to Africa which inspired him to pursue a career in teaching.

"I saw the African male teacher sitting in class while the students sat quietly as they did their work," he said. "That's a lot different than here where the teachers have to settle their class down just so they can teach a lesson."

Washum said he plans to combine the skills he'll learn in college and the skills he learned in Africa to take teaching to a new level.

"After five years of teaching in the United States, I plan to travel to Africa and teach science for two years."

"By teaching, I plan to make needed changes in the community," he said.

Another leader in the community is Alicia Mitchell, a senior at Cardinal Ritter High School. Mitchell is third in her class with a 4.3 grade point average on a 4.0 grading scale.

She is president of the Student Council at Ritter and is vice president of the National Honor Society.

Mitchell is a member of "Promise to Keep," a group that travels to Catholic elementary schools in Indianapolis and stresses the importance of sexual abstinence outside of marriage.

She is also a tennis player and is on the Academic Super Bowl team.

Out of school, Mitchell works at T.G.I. Friday. She attends church at Revival Temple where she is an usher.



Christopher Washum

pastor's aide, and assistant secretary of the youth committee.

Mitchell participated in the Circle City Classic queen contest. That event brought young African-American women together to learn etiquette, meet new people, and be honored for their accomplishments.

Mitchell plans to attend either Butler University or Indiana University and will major in biology and minor in Spanish communications. She wants to go into the medical field and become a pediatrician because "I like working with children," she said.

When asked how she describes herself, Mitchell said, "I am a caring person, enthusiastic, a child of God, and always ready to help someone. I am a living testimony of how good God is."

EDITORIAL

Black soldiers need love too



By SHANNON WILLIAMS
Editor

At Recorder press time, the United States had not gone to war yet, but the possibility of it is closer than many ever expected. Thousands of African-American soldiers are in the Middle East fighting for our country, however, many off them feel that Blacks in the United States aren't supporting them enough.

Talking with Wyomi Rawlins, whose son is currently stationed in Kuwait (featured on page A1), only confirmed recent reports that stated that Blacks are less likely to send encouraging letters or sentiments to U.S. soldiers.

Rawlins' son Gerald told her that many of the Black men and women feel as if they've been forgotten about by the Black community. He said that something as simple as a letter from home makes a tremendous difference.

I would agree. These people are in a faraway place, with their lives in obvious danger. From what I've learned, there really isn't much recreation, so mail is a much anticipated pleasure. I've seen a variety of organizations and groups send care packets to our troops, but I'll have to admit that few of those people were Black.

I'm not saying that Blacks don't support the soldiers at all, I'm just saying that our role in supporting them is not as strong as other races. I think it's important for us to step up and take more of an initiative for the sake of our fellow brothers and sisters in the Middle East.

Some people may argue that they don't know anyone serving in the military. I'd urge those individuals to still attempt to show a little support, even without having a personal relationship with one of the soldiers.

This is something that I need to work harder at myself. Although they're always in my prayers, from here on out, I'm going to make a conscious effort to send some sort of encouragement to our troops. I can't imagine being in their shoes right now; always waiting and anticipating what next, but never having many certainties. Just imagine how scared, yet strong these people must be.

Another thing I've discovered from recent coverage in the Middle East is that most of the soldiers seem eager to get the war started. It seems as if they're thinking, 'the quicker we start, the sooner we'll be home.' I guess I can understand that theory.

Whatever happens as far as the war, I just hope that not only the Black soldiers, but all of America's troops stay encouraged. I hope they look towards their higher power for strength and peace of mind. And I hope that those of us here who are fortunate enough to still have somewhat of a "normal" existence begin to be more supportive. Considering what the soldiers are doing for us, it seems that we can return the favor and show a little love.

"Whatever happens as far as the war, I just hope that not only the Black soldiers, but all of America's troops stay encouraged. I hope they look towards their higher power for strength and peace of mind."

Talking with Vi Simpson, the 1st official Democratic governor candidate

Just Tellin' It

By AMOS BROWN



Two months after first announcing her intention to run, state Sen. Vi Simpson officially became a candidate for the Democratic nomination for governor March 12. I sat down at length with Simpson in a wide ranging interview that ran Monday on our WDNH-TV/Channel 65 morning program (and which will be repeated at 8 a.m. March 24).

In the interview, Simpson said creating and maintaining jobs for Hoosiers would be her first priority as governor. As a member of the bipartisan State Budget Committee, Simpson has a grasp of the state's financial condition that the other candidates for governor don't have.

"How could we have billions in surplus money two years ago, and be broke today," I asked her.

Simpson broke it down in clear, simple language.

"Three things happened. We (the Legislature) gave \$1.4 billion back to Hoosiers in tax breaks and tax cuts. We spent several hundred million dollars on projects at our state universities. Finally, the national recession caused our tax revenues to shrink, causing the deficit," the Democratic candidate explained.

Intelligent answers in a plain spoken Hoosier style is how Sen. Simpson deals with issues. She knows a lot about the issues facing Indiana — and isn't afraid to explain them.

A native and resident of Ellettsville, a small town west of Bloomington in Monroe County, Simpson feels strongly that Hoosiers living outside of Indianapolis don't feel they're part of the same state.

"People in Terre Haute, Evansville and northwest Indi-

ana and other parts of the state feel disconnected from Indianapolis," Simpson said. "Issues that seem important in Indianapolis don't resonate with them."

Simpson thought former Gov. Evan Bayh's practice of creating a state capitol for a day in other cities throughout the state "was a great idea" that she'd resurrect if elected.

Asked about the various scandals and mismanagement during the O'Bannon administration, Simpson said she's "a hands on person." "I would be involved in the day to day oversight of state government."

But Simpson wouldn't "tie the hands of her department heads. We need to give them their heads and let them operate within their budgets."

Saying corrections is the "fastest growing part" of the state's budget; Simpson said while "people must feel safe" we must look at the growing cost. "It costs \$25,000 a year to incarcerate someone," said Simpson, "we have to do better."

Regarding federal policies which force states to implement programs without providing the money to fund them, Simpson, who authored legislation creating the Hoosier Healthwise insurance program for children and seniors, says it's time Democrats "stand up and fight Republican efforts to cut federal taxes at the expense of children and senior citizens."

Republicans take Simpson's candidacy seriously. GOP party chief Jim Kittle, who watched Simpson's announcement rally attacked her as "one of the most liberal Democrats in Indiana" using the tired attack line that Simpson's "out of touch with Hoosier values." Kittle attacked Simpson for "sitting on the sidelines" during years of "Democrat mismanagement" and verbally assaulted Indiana's first serious female gubernatorial candidate by falsely implying she's against the Pledge of Allegiance.

Originally, Simpson planned to run for lieutenant governor. But when Lt. Gov. Joe Kernan dropped out of the governor's race, Simpson quickly jumped in. And she's surprised her campaign has taken off so quickly. The same day of her public campaign announcement, Simpson had an Indianapolis fund raiser sponsored by a racially diverse group encompassing many wings of Indiana's Democratic Party.

In just two months, Simpson's campaign has assembled an impressive group of supporters. Former Congressman Andy Jacobs is a campaign co-chair. Supporters are from the Evan Bayh and Frank O'Bannon wings of the party, along with organized labor.

Lacy Johnson, the prominent African-American attorney, lobbyist and party advisor is for Simpson. That could be significant because Johnson's a top confidant to Congresswoman Julia Carson.

Carson is publicly neutral in the governor's race, as is Gov. O'Bannon, Lt. Gov. Kernan, Mayor Bart Peterson and most of the high profile Democratic elected officials. Two other high powered Democrats, Congressman Pete Visclosky and former Attorney General Pam Carter sup-

port former state and national party chair Joe Andrew, who has yet to publicly announce his candidacy.

The conventional political wisdom is that Indiana, being a moderately conservative state, will never elect a woman governor. Granted, Hoosiers have elected women to statewide office as auditor, treasurer, superintendent of public instruction, attorney general and secretary of state. But governor and lieutenant governor have remained all-male preserves.

In answering THE QUESTION "Can a woman be elected governor," Simpson believes that "gender doesn't matter" to Hoosiers. "Hoosiers want the strongest candidate; they don't care whether they are a man or a woman."

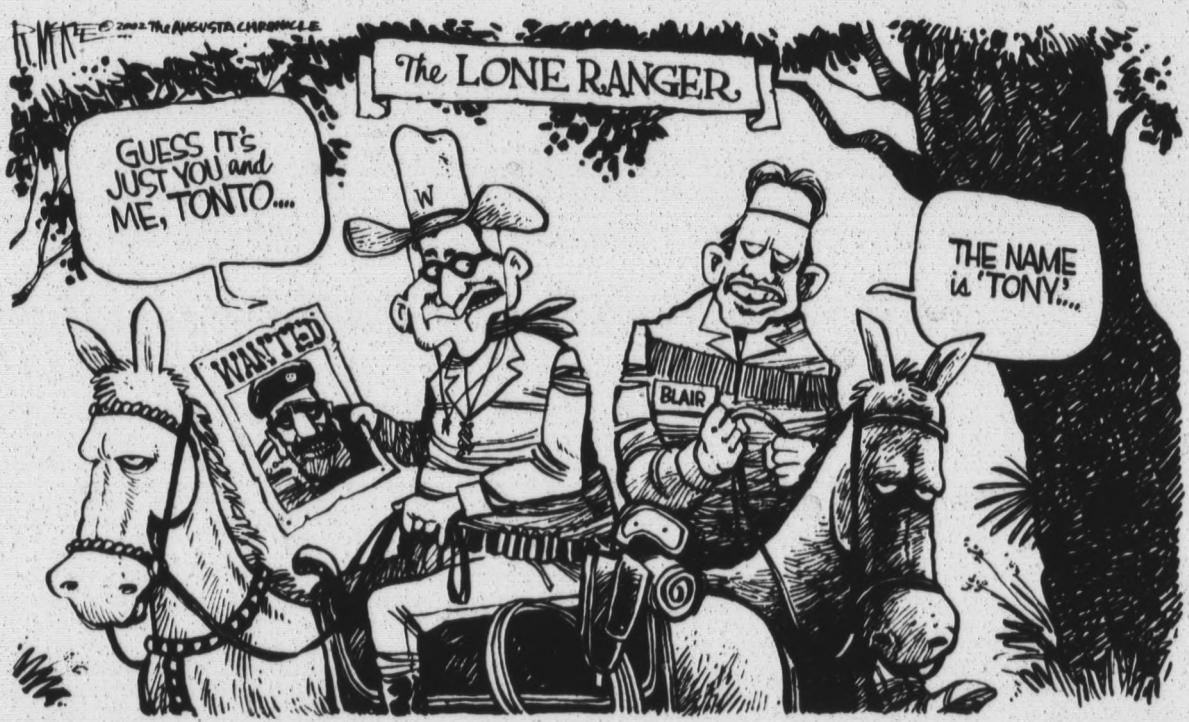
Simpson is optimistic that she can garner support within African-American communities across the state. She's a NAACP Life Member and a former board member of the Monroe County NAACP. "I've supported issues of concern to African Americans," Simpson told me. "African Americans and all Hoosiers care about health care, jobs and crime in the streets," she declared.

The campaign for governor is in the building block phase. This is the year when commitments are made, and candidates travel throughout the state, visiting fairs and festivals, meeting political activists, community leaders, party and precinct leaders in courthouse square restaurants, church basements, union halls and living rooms; plus talking with media leaders, columnists and pundits. It's training camp for the grueling campaign to come.

Speaking of Simpson's purported Democratic opponent Joe Andrew, so far he and his campaign have been virtually invisible. Unless Andrew gets his campaign in gear and returns home to Indiana to campaign, Simpson's campaign momentum could place the race out of Andrew's grasp.

Bottom line: I was impressed with Simpson's knowledge of the issues, her intelligence and her down home demeanor. She has the guts, the warmth, and the knowledge to be Indiana's governor. Vi Simpson could be the one who smashes the gender glass ceiling in the governor's office. See 'ya next week!

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Delta Airlines crashes into passengers' privacy

By GEORGE E. CURRY



Bill Scannell thought that he had come up with the perfect idea for a novel. The year is

2010. George W. Bush is serving as president for an unprecedented third term. And we are all living under a state of constant government surveillance, with each person having been issued a threat rating.

"I am writing all this stuff and I am sending it to my editor," Scannell recalls in a telephone interview from his home in Austin, Texas. "I'm working really hard making all of this stuff up."

On Friday, Feb. 18, Scannell learned that he could have saved himself some time and effort. That day, he opened up a local newspaper and read an Associated Press dispatch disclosing that the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) has been working with Delta Airlines to implement an experimental program that draws on credit bureau reports, Social Security numbers and other personal data to assign a threat level to passengers flying out of three undisclosed airports.

The Computer Assisted Passenger Prescreening System (CAPS II) is expected to be expanded to other airlines by the

end of this year. Under the plan, fliers will be assigned one of three color codes: green, if it's safe for them to travel without additional scrutiny, yellow if they require additional screening and red if they are not allowed to fly at all. TSA has awarded Lockheed Martin Corp. a \$12.8 million contract to tap into commercial data bases for information on fliers that could be utilized in the program.

Scannell was livid. Not because fiction had suddenly become fact, but because he felt betrayed by his own country.

"I was really angry," he remembers. "I'm a vet. I did my three years, four months and 18 days in the Army. I didn't sign up for this. It crossed my personal line where you say you're going to stay and try to make things better or you're going to go out shopping for another country. I thought: I am going to fight this."

He decided to start a national boycott of Delta Airlines by creating a Web site, www.boycottdelta.org. He is asking fliers to avoid using Delta Airlines, divest of Delta stock, quit the Delta Skymiles program, contact the company by phone or letter and weigh in on the matter with members of Congress.

When he enlisted the help of several friends for the project, they agreed to assist him if he would protect their identity. For Scannell, that underscored just how fearful Americans had become of their own government.

On the following Monday, he

launched the boycott Web site around 5 a.m., slept for several hours, and began preparing for war.

"When you go to war, you want to launch your cruise missiles first," Scannell says. "Just as the markets opened, I called Delta analysts in New York. I spoke with about half of them and left messages for the others. I got their private e-mail addresses and sent them an e-mail saying that I was launching a boycott and stated the reasons."

The next move on the battlefield was to send an e-mail to friends, asking them to forward it to all of their friends. Before long, news of the boycott spread to chat rooms and instant messages. The media picked up on the story. "Wired" magazine's Web site ran a story that began, "Hell, no, Bill won't go. And he doesn't want anyone else to go either, if their travel plans involve Delta Airlines." A New York Times headline asked, "A Safer Sky or Flight 1984?" a reference to George Orwell's novel about "big brother."

"My friends started to say, 'You're going to get a knock at your front door - John Ashcroft is going to come and pay you a visit.' I have to admit that 5 percent of me was really worried about someone coming, stamping 'person of interest' on my forehead and taking me off some place. That made me even angrier."

"If I can't peacefully protest in my own country, then I might as

well get another country. I went after Delta because you can't sell off your stocks in TSA (there are none). You can't buy a product from Lockheed Martin. But you can vote with your wallet and use the glorious powers of capitalism to vote."

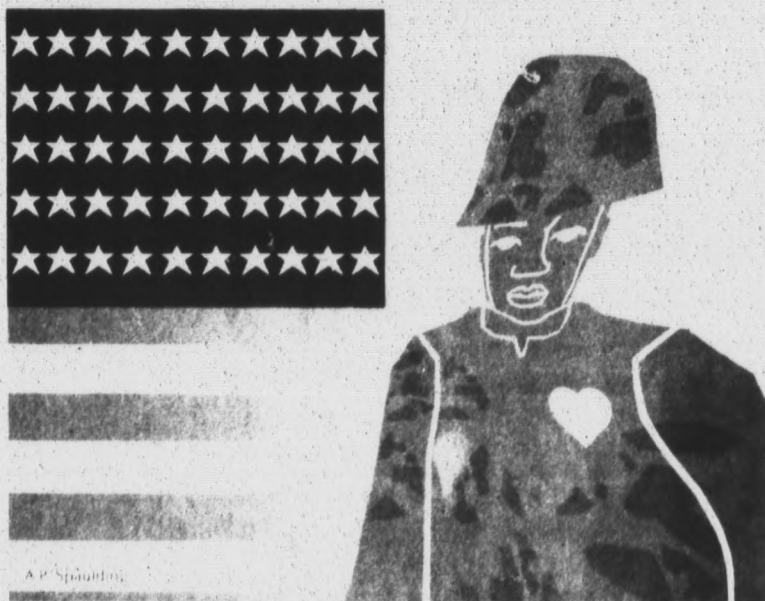
Scannell used the glorious power of the Internet to launch his guerrilla war against Delta. More than 1 million people have visited the boycott Web site, Scannell says. Reaction to the site shows that the issue of privacy unites liberals, conservatives and anyone in the middle. It has also united professional airline organizations, travel agents and civil liberties groups, all objecting to the proposed invasion of privacy.

TSA officials met with representatives of the American Civil Liberties Union and other groups last week, hoping to win their support. But if the response to Scannell's Web site is any indication, the flying public will not be satisfied until the program is eliminated.

In some ways, Bill Scannell has already won because he is an inspiration to all of us. Rather than caving in, he showed what a person with \$17 to register a domain name, a group of computer-savvy friends and a cell phone can accomplish.

Delta Airlines is in for a well-deserved bumpy ride.

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READERS RESPOND

Children's Museum says it is a good neighbor

As a long-term volunteer and a current trustee for the Children's Museum, I would like to offer some clarification as to the museum's relationship with its neighborhood. Since the museum opened its current facility at 30th and Meridian in 1976, it has been a supportive and contributing member of the neighborhood. Specific efforts include:

- Revitalization for the 29th and 30th street corridors with a special emphasis on improving neighborhood homes and ridding the community of crime.

- Partnering with the Indianapolis-Marion County Public Library to provide a convenient library branch, InfoZone, for neighborhood children and adults.

- Free museum memberships to neighborhood residents so they can enjoy the museum's educational opportunities year-round.

- Museum discounts on more than 125,000 admissions for school children each year.

- Almost 50,000 free admissions annually to children during the museum's free Thursday programs

The continuing growth of the museum has created parking challenges and the newest project, Dinosphere, is expected to increase attendance by another 20 percent. Beyond the need for additional parking, there has been a growing concern for the safety of visitors crossing one of the busiest streets in the neighborhood. The parking structure project that was announced last week was developed after using a process that included input from the neighborhood and addresses each of these issues. It has been supported by the neighbor's association and, we believe, is the best answer to these challenges.

We value our neighbors and welcome their input and look forward to continuing our positive involvement in the "Children's District" of our great city.

Lloyd Lyons
Trustee, Children's Museum

Recital coverage appreciated

Thank you so very much for your coverage of my Artsgarden recital. It was such a pleasure to see "our own" paper cover such an event. I truly enjoyed performing for the crowd during the Art & Soul event. Please know that I appreciate your kindness. Thank

you again.

Paula Ingram-Coleman

Keep supporting the arts

On behalf of Ramona Baker and the Arts Council of Indianapolis, I want to thank The Indianapolis Recorder for the tremendous support given to Art & Soul at the Artsgarden. I enjoyed seeing the photographs in the paper each week. I am so pleased and humbled by your generosity. Please continue to support the arts.

Bruce L. Williams,
Art & Soul Program
Consultant

Writer thanked for article

We at Sword of the Spirit Ministries, under the leadership of Elder Dale Flemister, want to sincerely thank Brandon Perry and The Indianapolis Recorder for the outstanding editorial piece that was written recently. We felt an overwhelming sense of gratitude when we read the article.

Elder Dell Flemister and
Sword of the Spirit Ministries

YOUR VOICE

Do you agree with the decision to continue the NCAA basketball games and Academy Awards if we go to war?



Lori Bonner

"I don't think either activity should go on because this is a very sensitive time and as Americans we should be very careful and cautious."

- Lori Bonner



Spencer Osborne

life goes on. Everyday activities will go on whether we go to war or not and so should these activities."

- Spencer Osborne



Anthony Steward

people paid more attention to prophesy, there would be a greater comfort for world's situation and decisions to continue public activities would be easier to make. I think the decision to continue the games and the awards is a fine idea."

- Anthony Steward

"I definitely think that games and the awards should continue as planned because

"War is a terrible thing to have happen. My belief is that people tend to carry on normal lives despite instances such as this. If

AMERICA'S WAR

African America's Role

By ANGELA BECKLES
Recorder Correspondent

The drumbeat of war is at a deafening and piercing level. Before I finish this article, President Bush will have already given Saddam Hussein the ultimatum to leave Iraq in peace or stay and face war. Many of us are watching and waiting for the word that war with Iraq has begun. This is a frightening reality for those of us with loved ones in the military that is part of the 250,000 plus buildup of force in the Persian Gulf. Nevertheless, what is this war really about?

The United States' relationship with the Middle East has been a relationship mostly of Saudi oil and Israeli interest. The Gulf War came in 1991 after Iraq invaded Kuwait, placing American forces in Saudi Arabia. This reality is causing Islamic extremists to continue their series of attacks, starting with the bombing of military bunkers in Saudi Arabia in 1992, which killed more than 200 servicemen. The attacks continued until the World Trade Center (WTC) tragedy in 2001 (after the first attack on WTC in 1993.) The Bush administration knows it would do little good to just catch Osama bin Laden. This is the time to make strategic historical moves that will potentially end not only terrorist attacks on America, but will move America into the 21st century in regard to her relationships. This will also come with much needed influence in the Middle East and with dreams of wide spread democracy for that region of the world.

Saddam Hussein has made it easy for the United States to choose Iraq as the country in the Middle East to base American troops and influence. His weapons of mass destruction are a reality. Questioning if he'll sell any of these weapons to enemies of the United States is a chance the Bush Administration says it is not willing to take. Hussein's noncompliance with the United Nations for the past twelve years has sealed his fate and the fate of Iraq. The Bush administration is focused and steadfast to their unspoken mission of an attempt to democratize the Arab world. Their mission includes historical changes in Europe as well.

There is fierce objection for a war in Iraq from France and Germany, who realize the prognosis. The days of America spending billions in Western Europe is ending. They understand the Bush administration is repositioning American forces, interest and influence in the world from the old and increasing awkward post WWII and Cold War positions to positions that will better serve America and its resources in the 21st century.

France and Germany have known the United States when she was an unimportant country in the Western Hemisphere with little influence in the world. After WWII all of that changed and

there has been envy every since. Since the end of the Cold War there is little or no use for allies in Western Europe, with the exception of Britain whose loyalty to the United has been unmovable. Therefore, American interest in Europe has switched from Western to Eastern Europe.

Since the end of the Cold War, Eastern European countries have shown they want to build an alliance with a new big brother since the fall of communist Russia and their alliance with them. Poland, Hungary, Bulgaria, and the Czech Republic, to name a few, have proven in this Middle Eastern Crisis, they are with America and ready to send their troops to better serve the American cause. The loyalty of Eastern Europe will not go unnoticed, just as the perceived disloyalty of France and Germany will not be forgotten. All of this is a major consideration for 21st century America and her new place and influence in a New World with the Bush administration at the helm.

What does this mean for the African American community throughout the United States? Since many of us have been duped by liberals into believing there is a Black America, separate from the rest of the country and that somehow this war doesn't have anything to do with us and our future, should we even care about the above facts? Of course we should. We should pray that all go according to plan. In this world, African Americans live better, have better opportunities and a brighter future for us and our children than any other Black people in the world. This country's future directly affects all of our futures. I do not know about you, but I want my four daughters to grow up much as I did. Happy childhood, fun and exciting adolescence, college, career, marriage and so on. In fact, many Black people in other parts of the world are trying to get here for those very reasons. If anything happens to this country, what will the future hold for us and our children? If I was a betting woman, I am willing to bet there are not any terrorist planning to attack only White America, while leaving "Black America" in tact.

African Americans have just as much to lose in this war as any other American when one considers the many service men and women that are African American in the Middle East right now facing death. I have a cousin in the Army and a godson in the Airforce whom I am praying for daily. Some of us may not agree with this war or any war if you are like I am, but we as a people and a country are faced with no choice. We cannot continue to live under color-coded terror alerts for years or even decades. This country's leadership must solve this problem as we expect them to. Our country must not be reduced to living as the citizens in Israel and Palestine. No, this problem must be solved now. The future of America must be made secure for now and the future.

Making sense of Clarence Thomas

By Earl Ofari Hutchinson



When Clarence Thomas cast the lone vote against the Supreme Court's ruling that Dallas prosecutors systematically excluded Black jurors in the trial of

Texas death row inmate Thomas Miller-El, the legion of Thomas foes again lambasted him. They called Thomas cruel, spiteful, and even implied he was unbalanced.

African Americans make up more than half of those stuffing America's jails; most cases that land before the high court invariably involve abuses of Black prisoners. Thomas' seemingly nonsensical vote was merely his latest judicial salvo on the hyper charged issue of prisoner's rights.

From the time he hit the bench over a decade ago, Thomas has taken a see-no-evil stance on cases involving the beating and torturing of prisoners, corralling prisoners to hitching posts, and executing the mentally retarded.

But even by Thomas' reflexive anti-prisoner rights standard, his vote against Miller-El was far over the top. There was near smoking gun proof that Dallas prosecutors, bullied, cajoled, and ultimately axed nearly every prospective Black juror in Miller-El's trial. A 1963 circular distributed in the DA's office virtually ordered prosecutors to dump Blacks from jury panels. This was more than enough to convince hard-line conservatives

Justices William Rehnquist, Antonin Scalia and on more occasions than not, Anthony Kennedy, that not much has changed since then and that Dallas prosecutors were guilty of racial bias.

In trying to make sense of Thomas' doctrinaire, contrarian court votes, the simple answer is that they are the payback to civil rights and civil liberties groups for waging all-out war against his confirmation to the high court. There's probably some truth to this. In an American Enterprise Institute lecture in 2001, Thomas cloaked himself in the martyr's garment and said that he expected to be treated badly for challenging liberal opinion.

But it's also true that no matter how outlandish and obstructionist his votes on the court appear, Thomas is in step with the political conservatism of many whites, and many Blacks. Many forget that even as civil rights leaders grabbed headlines and the cameras for mercilessly savaging Thomas in 1991, a parade of Blacks quietly praised Thomas' views, and backed his appointment. They were not front men on the payroll of the Heritage



Foundation or other conservative think tanks.

On the eve of his confirmation hearing, a near majority of Blacks told pollsters that they were pro-life, pro-school prayers and anti-gun control.

A significant number even opposed affirmative action programs. Polls conducted over the years by the Joint Center on Political and Economic Studies confirm that many Blacks share Thomas views on social and political issues.

Indeed, Black parents and students at a middle school in Landover, Maryland, made national news a couple of years ago when they battled civil rights groups who tried to scotch their invitation to Thomas to appear at their school.

However, the issue that Blacks agree most with Thomas on is the thorny issue of crime and punishment. Polls show that more Blacks than ever back three strikes laws, and mandatory drug sentencing laws. Their biggest volte-face has been on the death penalty. In the past, Blacks were the staunchest opponents of capital punishment, and with good reason. The death penalty was a vicious, blatantly racist weapon wielded by prosecutors, particularly in the South against Blacks. Blacks currently make up nearly half of all death row inmates. And while the Supreme Court found that Dallas prosecutors were the most outrageous in racially cleansing juries, in many capital cases Blacks are tried before all or mostly white juries, and they are far more likely to get the death penalty.

But, Dallas prosecutors and

others, are stuck in a racial time warp when it comes to Black attitudes toward the death penalty. A Newsweek poll in 2000 that measured white and non-white attitudes toward the death penalty, found that nearly 60 percent of non-whites support the death penalty. An ABC News poll also found substantial support for the death penalty among Blacks.

The Blacks that are likely to get on these juries are much more likely to fit the same profile as whites, namely older, more conservative, middle class professionals, business persons, and retirees. The one Black juror in the Miller-El case sounded every bit the death penalty hardliner when he quipped "they should pour honey on them (killers) and stake them out over an ant bed."

Eventually, the Supreme Court will be forced to deal with the sensitive issues of minimum mandatory sentencing, teen executions, DNA testing in capital cases, the search and seizure laws and racial profiling. Some justices have shown increasing flexibility in death penalty, and drug sentencing cases. But Thomas' vote in the Miller-El case, and his swim in the rushing tide of conservatism outside and within Black communities, guarantee that he won't be one of them.

Earl Ofari Hutchinson is a noted author of nine books about the African-American experience in America. His numerous published articles appear in newspapers and magazines across the country as well as some of the most popular Web sites on the Internet.



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Salt and Light

By Bishop T. Garrett Benjamin

Sitting at his feet

38 Now it came to pass, as they went, that he entered into a certain village: and a certain woman named Martha received him into her house.

39 And she had a sister called Mary, which also sat at Jesus' feet, and heard his word.

40 But Martha was cumbered about much serving, and came to him, and said, Lord, dost thou not care that my sister hath left me to serve alone? bid her therefore that she help me.

41 And Jesus answered and said unto her, Martha, Martha, thou art careful and troubled about many things:

42 But one thing is needful: and Mary hath chosen that good part, which shall not be taken away from her. - (Luke 10:38-42 KJ)

Worship and prayer is at the heart of all we do as Disciples of Christ. It is important to be busy ambassadors - ministers, psalmists, ushers, and organizers - sharing the gospel and serving others, but Jesus says that it is more important to spend time in his presence because "in his presence is the fullness of joy." It is important to have church membership, but it is better to have a close relationship with Jesus. Why? Because before we can represent Christ or walk in his steps by emulation or imitation, we must get to know the man. We must learn of him. We must take time to be holy.

There is no better way to handle the stress of this life than to spend time sitting at the feet of Jesus. The Master called it the good part. Mary of Bethany is seen three times in the gospel record, and on each occasion, she is sitting at the feet of Jesus. She is consistent and committed to a relationship with the Lord. She seemed intent on pressing into Jesus while her sister Martha, with good intentions, seemed to want to impress Jesus with her works.

Mary and Martha are too often presented as such a radical contrast that we have to choose one or the other. In other words, be a worker like Martha or a worshiper like Mary. Yet, I find it is not an either/or situation. Jesus was saying in essence that both endeavors are important.

He was calling for a blessed balance: blessed are the balanced. Seldom do you see a scale perfect by balance so Jesus said if it is tipped, then it needs to be tipped toward Mary because she has discovered the good part. It is not a put down of the worker, but a call to the worker to worship by sitting at his feet and listening and learning from the master. Hear Charles Wesley:

"Faithful to my Lord's commands,

I still would choose the better part

serve with careful Martha's hands and loving Mary's heart."

Yes, blessed are the balanced because the bottom line is that what we do with Christ is far more important than what we do for Christ.

The priorities for power living: (1) Christ, first, which is a call to worship and prayer. It is

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A FRESH APPROACH

Rev. Joy Thornton is IFD's first Black chaplain

By BRANDON A. PERRY
Staff Writer

"If you want to be in the picture, you'll have to put that sandwich down," a smiling Capt. Greg Harris says to a fellow firefighter prior to a photo shoot for The Recorder.

"Well, they'll just have to wait," the fireman replies, humorously indicating that he will not sacrifice his lunch for anyone.

When one walks into Indianapolis Fire Department Station 31 on 42nd Street and College Avenue, they can immediately sense the spirit of goodwill, cooperation and camaraderie among the firefighters. On this particular day, those who make up the crew at Station 31 are preparing to conduct further training that will help them respond even more effectively to a possible biological or chemical terrorist attack.

A few feet from Capt. Harris, Rev. Joy L. Thornton, IFD's new chaplain, is seen joking and listening intently to a group of firemen huddled around him. His warm demeanor is indicative of the type service he says he wants to provide both IFD and the Indianapolis community.

History in this city was made last month when Rev. Thornton, senior pastor of Greater St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church, was appointed to serve as one of IFD's three chaplains, becoming the first African American



Rev. Joy L. Thornton (in white shirt), the Indianapolis Fire Department's first African American chaplain, is shown with a shift of firefighters from Station #31. (Photo by J. Huett)

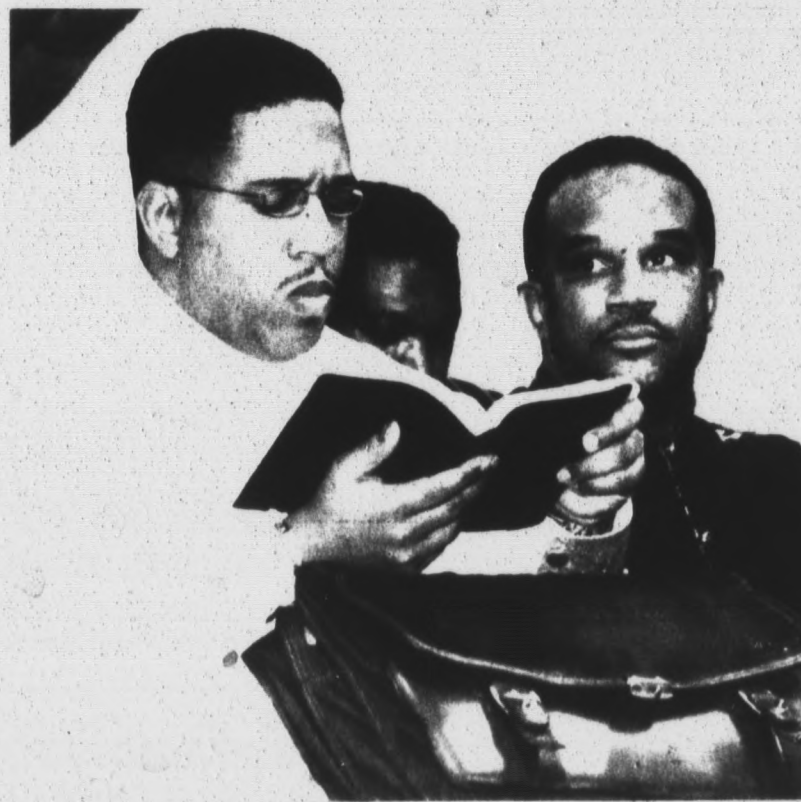
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IN THE SPIRIT

CHURCH BUILDING DEDICATION

Temple of Praise Assembly

The Temple of Praise Assembly, under the leadership of Elder Donald E. Golder, recently dedicated its new church home and ministries complex at 3969 Meadows Drive. Pictured at the event (clockwise from upper left) are: Suffragan Bishop Leonard Scott, master of ceremonies and pastor of Rock Community Church; Elder C. Shawn Tyson (left, holding Bible), featured speaker and assistant pastor of Christ Church Apostolic with Bishop Golder (right); the Temple of Praise Choir; and (left to right): Evangelist Patrice Barnett, Minister Tennyson Smith II, Mika Smith and Imani Smith. (Photos/C. Guynn)



Al-Islam in America

By Imam Mikal Saahir

Al-Islam dignifies all women

Before addressing our main topic "Al-Islam dignifies all women," we wish to reiterate our opposition to war against Iraq. On March 8, Imam W. Deen Mohammed, leader of America's largest indigenous Islamic community, stated to a special assembly of Muslim women, "I stand with those who demonstrate against us going to war." Referencing the 1991 Gulf War Imam Mohammed said, "The U.S. bombed Iraq and they (Iraqis) are still suffering. The boycott is hurting the Iraqis. What did those accomplish?"

So I am strongly against it. Reaffirming his stance the imam added, "If they go to war alone, without the allies and the United Nations not okaying it, it will be G-d's punishment and have terrible consequences."

Noting that Saddam Hussein has a horrendous reputation for abuses against his own people Imam Mohammed told the sisters, "the (Iraqi) people are innocent." He said, "Only the Iraqi people are punished by war, not Saddam Hussein."

O mankind! Reverence your guardian-Lord, who created you from a single person, created of like nature, his mate, and from them twain (two) scattered (like seeds) countless men and women - reverence Allah, through whom ye demand your mutual (rights), and (reverence) the wombs (That bore you): for Allah ever watches over you." Chapter 4 titled "The Women" Verse 1

In the revelation of Islam's holy book, Qur'an (Koran) our creator dignifies the role and purpose of women, lifting her to a status previously thought to be exclusive to males. G-d, Allah is a just G-d. Through his mercy he gives every human being their just due regardless of their race, social status or gender.

The dignity that G-d restores to women in the Holy Qur'an is her status as a first class creation that was created along side, with her mate - not an afterthought sparked only after the male became "lonely."

Just as important as being created at the exact same time as the first male, the Qur'an states that the female was "created of like nature." The sacred book of the Muslims clearly states that the essence of the female is the same as that of the male. That she did not originate from a different or inferior substance, the female and the male are equal in their creation and importance.

Allah, upon clarifying that he created the male and the female from the same source at the same time concludes the Qur'anic verse by obligating every human being to "reverence the wombs that bore you." This reverencing of the womb is directing our attention toward family ties; however, the mentioning of the "wombs" stresses further the respect and dignity due to the noble role that females fulfill, the role of motherhood.

That special role of child bearing and mothering was entrusted to females. It is the women with whom G-d first trust the development of the human soul, the human person. This is a special and digni-

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American churches' clergy-laity split on war with Iraq

NEW YORK (AP) — The United States' ranking Christian clergy have formed their strongest anti-war alliance in at least a generation, but the people in the pews don't necessarily agree with their leaders.

There is opposition to the war among leaders of the Roman Catholic hierarchy, almost all the leaders of white, mainline Protestant denominations, and the heads of Black Protestant groups.

But polls indicate a majority of the faithful support President George W. Bush.

In the past, says historian Martin E. Marty, clergy successfully prodded parishioners' opinions on major social issues like alcohol prohibition and civil

rights. But when it comes to war, lay Christians have gone along with the prevailing public sentiment, regardless of what they hear in church.

"The mainstream Protestant laity has been roughly where the public is as long as I've known them," said Marty, 75, a former University of Chicago professor regarded as the dean of American church historians.

"Barring some special factor, the laity is indistinguishable from the larger culture."

The Gallup Poll said in early March that 63 percent of those who said they attend church almost weekly favored a U.S. military invasion to end Saddam Hussein's rule, compared with 59 percent of the

general public in the survey. The margin of error was 3 percentage points. A Pew Research Center poll question last month produced similar results.

Clergy opposition to the Vietnam War eventually grew even more intense than the current anti-war push - but it developed gradually after the conflict began, Marty says.

"The clergy have not been so visibly opposed to the outbreak of hostilities since the pre-Pearl Harbor days of 1941, he says.

"Religious leaders are called to be leaders," said the Rev. Wesley Granberg-Michaelson, the anti-war chief executive of the Reformed Church in America. "If they know how to lead well,

people will be influenced - not all, but certainly some."

The Rev. Robert Edgar, general secretary of the National Council of Churches and a peace activist, said religious leaders must say what they believe is right - even if some church members disagree.

"It's interesting to see how far apart we are from some of the laity," said Edgar, a clergyman in the United Methodist Church, President George W. Bush's denomination. "But that's not unlike the prophets and apostles of the Old and New Testaments" who were rejected by their own people.

In mainline Protestant denominations, the clergy-laity political divide first won wide

notice in the late 1960s. By 1972, Dean Kelley's book *Why Conservative Churches Are Growing* warned that churches decline when they overemphasize politics and neglect spiritual substance.

Catholic clergy - sensitive to criticism that the faithful might follow the pope rather than the president - once sought to prove their patriotism and rarely questioned national policy.

But the U.S. bishops' made a statement against Vietnam policy in 1971, and that was a turning point. Since then, the hierarchy has made many pronouncements on foreign and domestic policy.

Judging from past conflicts, however, the current war debate

won't be a make-or-break issue that will drive hawkish Christians from their denomination. Most simply accept they have a difference of opinion with their spiritual leaders.

Episcopalian Jim Oakes, a medical technology consultant in Washington, D.C., with a son in the Marine Corps, says his church's presiding bishop, Frank Griswold, can believe whatever he likes about war "as a private citizen."

"(But) I strongly object to his claiming to represent the body of the Episcopal Church, because he doesn't," Oakes said. "It's similar to a rock star making pronouncements on world peace. It's very interesting but what do they know?"

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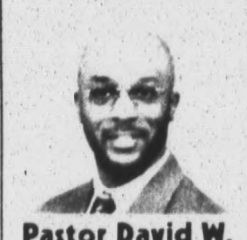


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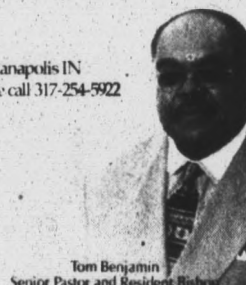
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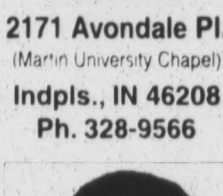
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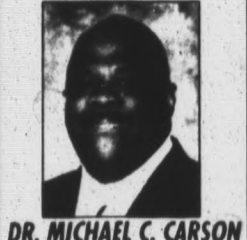


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Terrorize hell through prayer and fasting

"However, this kind does not go out except by prayer and fasting." - Matthew 17:21.

We are well into the Lenten season and I am sure that you are fasting and praying.

As I promised, permit me to share with you some of my thoughts on prayer and fasting. We are living in times when we sometimes look in the mirror and ask:

- Why couldn't I stand strong in the midst of the struggle?
- Why did I fail?
- Why did I fall?
- I did not have the strength to endure.

• How did I let that get to me? I think you will agree with me that we are living in a day and time when we need more power; we need more strength. There are hard situations and people awaiting you and me each and every day.

We need strength in order to deal with them. This suggests to me that we will need a little more



Claiming Your Victory

By Rev. Michael C. Carson

than just two hours in church on Sunday.

Now understand that our Sunday corporate worship time together is very important (Hebrews 10:25), but we need more than just that to sustain us during the week.

We find the disciples being presented with a challenge to which they could not measure up (Matthew 17:14-21). They had been presented with a lunatic for whom his father was seeking a healing. The disciples tried to accommodate the father's request, but could not.

Jesus would come down from

the Mount of Transfiguration and cast the demon out of the young man. Later the disciples would ask Jesus why they could not cast the demon out of the boy. Jesus would reply to them, "because of your unbelief." In light of the situation, Jesus might have replied, "You had a little faith, you had a half-hearted faith, you had the appearance of my power, but not the real power."

Jesus would state, "This kind goeth out but by prayer and fasting." It's not that the disciples did not have faith, but their faith needed to be intensified.

There are situations in our lives when the demons will not leave because of our "prayers on the run," our Sunday morning church visits, and maybe some devotional time we enter in during the week. Understand that all of these are important. But in order to serve notice to Satan that we are no longer going to be pushed around and plagued by him, we need a little more strength.

Believe it or not, there are different degrees of hellish activity trying to cause havoc in our lives. Some demons are more malignant and have more power than others.

Sure we are told to just "speak the name of Jesus." But the speaker needs a great faith when speaking the name of Jesus. Satan knows who is serving notice on him and who is just out taking a half-hearted spiritual walk.

When we fast and pray, we terrorize hell, we invoke the aid of God and we place ourselves without care into the hands of God. Through fasting, we subdue our flesh, thus arousing our soul's energy. This enables us to be more open and available to receiving power from on high.

Through fasting and prayer we go on the offensive. Great defense will help win games, but when the buzzer sounds the winning team must be at least one point better than the other.

This suggests that we must have a balanced attack against Satan. Our offensive game plan must be fasting and prayer. God is calling for each of his saints to "terrorize hell" through fasting and prayer. Satan strives to plague you and me with diseases, ailments, mental and physical problems in order to hinder us from what God would have for us. When we fast, we terrorize hell because we tell God that we are so committed to him that we would deny ourselves for him.

Through fasting God knows that he is welcome and Satan will not hang around where God is welcome. When we fast we seek the love of God.

When we fast we are being obedient to God's word. When we fast we humble ourselves before God. When we humble ourselves before him, God grants us with wonder-working, awesome and spiritual power.

We have been commissioned just as the disciples were to "go into the world and preach the gospel to every creature." You and I are expected to preach the gospel, face demons and defeat them, heal diseases, set the prisoners free, release the oppressed and call those who were as dead persons back to life.

Jesus Christ is the prime example of one who terrorized hell. He was committed to save the

world and he did not turn in a halfway effort. No, Jesus gave his all for you and for me. He gave his life at Calvary for us; and today he stands at the door of our heart asking if we will spend some quality time with him in prayer and fasting.

The Rev. Michael C. Carson is pastor of Historic Wayman Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church in Kokomo, Ind.

RELIGION BRIEFS

Hip-hop concert at True Vine Baptist Church

True Vine Missionary Baptist Church, 4050 Millersville Road, will be having "Hip-Hop Gospel Workshops and Concert." The workshops will take place at True Vine on Wednesday, April 2 through April 4 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The "Grand Finale" hip-hop concert is scheduled for 8 to 11 p.m. at Macedonia Christian Church, located on the corner of 16th and Emerson Avenue. For more information, call (317) 926-0318 or (317) 546-3521.

Revealing Light will have workshops for women

Revealing Light "I Am Woman" 2003 seminar series will kick-off with "I've Got My Groove Back!" on Saturday, March 29 from 9 a.m. to noon at Elevations Bookstore, currently located at Friendship Baptist Church, 1301 N. Goodlet Ave. The "I've Got My Groove Back" workshop is designed to motivate, inspire, and encourage women who want to celebrate where they are and look forward to where they're going. Motivational speaker Maxine Bryant will present the workshop. Revealing Light Ministries utilizes Bible wisdom to address today's issues in a forum that is participatory, safe, exciting and fun.

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fied role for the woman - trusted by G-d to be the first care takers of human souls. As a human being what role in life could be more dignifying? Yes, men have their special roles in life and society, but not a role as special and sacred as motherhood.

In addition to Allah creating women on the same day that he created man, from the same substance, Allah has also established justice in recognizing our deeds. Again referencing the Holy Qur'an we read: "And in no wise covet those things in which Allah hath bestowed his gifts more freely on some of you than on others: To men is allotted what they earn, and to women what they earn: But ask Allah of his bounty. For Allah hath full knowledge of all things. (Chapter 4: Verse 32)"

The beauty of G-d's love and justice is demonstrated in his judgment. We are judged in this life and we will receive our full judgment at the resurrection after our death. Without any fear of

being wronged, males and females will receive our just rewards. Our gender will not work in our favor or against our just due.

Allah is a just G-d. He recognizes the good of all of his creatures. Our creator knows of the centuries of unjust treatment women have received from the hands of males. We are taught in Al-Islam that G-d always favors the oppressed. He answers the call of every suppliant whether male or female.

My dear sisters of faith, the enemies of Islam often seek to portray Islam as a religion that disrespects women. Nothing could be further from the truth. If you ever have the opportunity to converse with a Muslim sister please ask her how Al-Islam dignifies all women.

We pray that the U.S.A. does not go to war against Iraq.

Thank you for reading Al-Islam in America. For questions or comments send them to: Al-Islam in America, C/O Imam Mikal Saahir, Nur-Allah Islamic Center, 2040 E. 46th St., Indianapolis, IN 46205. Ore-mail: nurallahic@juno.com.

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more important what we do with Christ than what we do for him.

"Then they went out to see what was done; and came to Jesus, and found the man, out of whom the devils were departed, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed, and in his right mind: and they were afraid." (Luke 8:35 KJ)

(2) Others, second, which is a call to service after worship and prayer.

"But so shall it not be among you: but whosoever will be great among you, shall be your minister." (Mark 10:43 KJ)

(3) Self, third, which is a call to wisdom.

"And if it seem evil unto you to serve the Lord, choose you this

day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." (Joshua 24:15 KJ)

We should never be so busy or boisterous that we get out of balance. We must not fail to sit at his feet, listen, and learn of him. That is the good part.

Remember, "you are the salt of the Earth and the light of the world" ... make a difference ... you really can.

Send comments and suggestions to e-mail: Matt51314@lightoftheworld.org or write to Salt and Light, c/o Dr. Benjamin, P.O. Box 781344, Indianapolis, IN 46278-1344.

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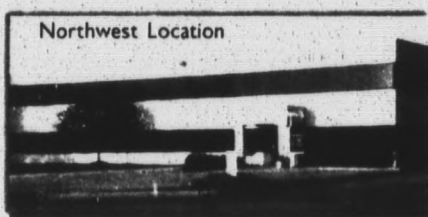
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7 charged in vandalism of Black church

ADDOR, N.C. (AP) — Seven people face charges in connection with the vandalism of a historic Black church in southern Moore County, authorities said.

The seven, all between the ages of 16 and 21, are accused of smashing windows and furniture, and carving a racial slur into the pulpit at the 117-year-old Free Liberty United Christian Church, authorities said.

Charges were filed against: Carson Shane Jones II, 21, of Addor; Mark Allen Matthews, 16, of Addor; Justin Lynn Samples, 17, of Lakeview; Nathaniel Clayton Lewis, 16, of Carthage; Joshua David Kipmiller, 17, of West End; Amber Lynn Dillon, 19, of Southern Pines; and Wayne Francis Sands Jr., 18, of Pinhurst.

All were charged with breaking and entering, while

all but Lewis were charged with damage to property, sheriff's Detective Kip Dennis said.

Damage to the one-room building was estimated at \$5,000, but members said the church's meager bank account won't cover repairs.

Authorities said the vandals ripped off the cover of a Bible donated to the church in 1931, and smashed framed prints of the Last Supper and other religious images.

Pastor who called service at Super Bowl kickoff sacked

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP) — Members of a church whose pastor called a mandatory service beginning exactly at kickoff time on Super Bowl Sunday have voted to sack him.

Members of the New Salem Missionary Baptist Church voted 67-10 Monday night to oust the Rev. Stanley B. Hall Sr. Hall had filed an unsuccessful request for a temporary restraining order to stop the vote.

The issue will now go before

Jefferson County Circuit Judge Helen Shores Lee, who will determine if the vote will be legally binding.

"The court's going to have the final say, but the message has been sent," said Luke Walker, chairman of the church's board of deacons.

Walker said Hall ordered all deacons and trustees of the church to attend a consecration service that started at kickoff time on Super Bowl Sunday, Jan. 26.

According to Walker, the dea-

cons and trustees were warned there would be consequences if they did not attend. When three deacons and three trustees didn't, Hall dismissed them.

Brenda Axle defended Hall, saying he was right to require deacons and trustees to attend the controversial consecration service.

"They chose the Super Bowl over this church," she said. "I will no longer stay if Rev. Hall is not pastor. My entire family will be leaving."

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Gospel artist Chris Jones and his choir Word of Praise recently volunteered their time at the Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN). The mission of IHN is to enable families to seek permanent lifestyle changes to their homeless crisis. Chris Jones and Word of Praise touched participants' hearts with their anointed ministry. (Photo/ C. Gwynn)

CHAPLAIN

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in the department's 144-year history to serve in this capacity.

"Hopefully, this will help people further understand that African Americans have played an active role in the history of fire fighting," Pastor Thornton later said. "My service in this position will show another level and dimension of what we have to offer."

As a chaplain, Rev. Thornton added, his functions include efforts to help meet the "spiritual needs" of firefighters, console crewmembers and families who are grieving. He also intends to provide increased moral support for civilians whose homes and lives have been devastated by fire.

Another goal of Rev. Thornton is to develop increased unity between IFD and the Indianapolis community. One way he hopes to achieve this endeavor is by spearheading a citywide "adopt a fire station" campaign. Under this approach, churches will establish a progressive relationship with a fire station in their neigh-

borhood, and collaborate with that station on various community initiatives. Churches will also be able to provide support in other aspects that apply to the needs of a specific station.

"Adopting fire stations will give the community a greater sense of what they (firefighters) are truly about, and develop a greater appreciation for who they are and what they do for us every day. We also hope young people will be exposed to potential job careers in the fire department."

As pastor of Greater St. Mark, Rev. Thornton has already established a friendship with fire Station 24, which is across the street from his church on East 38th Street. In addition, he developed a strong appreciation for the fire department last year.

"My truck caught fire in an area adjacent to my house, and I didn't even know what had happened until neighbors and firefighters knocked on my door and alerted me," Rev. Thornton said with a facial expression that displayed how incredulous he remains even today. "I was afraid that maybe the gas tank would explode or something like that. But those firefighters walked right up to that burning truck and quickly eliminated the fire. On that day, I began to better appreciate the work they do."

City-County Councilman and IFD Division Chief Monroe Gray selected Rev. Thornton as a chaplain on Feb. 20.

"Rev. Thornton expressed an early interest in serving IFD, and has been a great public servant in the community as pastor of St. Mark," said Gray, who has known Rev. Thornton for several years. "He has the right charisma for the job, and as a veteran, is familiar with the chain of command associated with the fire department, which has paramilitary customs."

"I want to thank brother Gray," Rev. Thornton interjected. "Our positive relationship has been able to kindle the furtherance of my family-focused ministry."

"Rev. Thornton will be instru-

mental in bringing IFD and the community together, and we believe he has what it takes," said Deputy Chief Vernon Brown, who fondly remembers a sermon Rev. Thornton delivered two years ago during a special church service honoring firefighters.

Gray added that another reason why he chose Rev. Thornton is due to the fact that minority firefighters and working class fire victims in the inner city have expressed the desire to have a chaplain with whom they can relate.

But Rev. Thornton quickly emphasizes that while he wants to continue to be an integral part of the African-American community, his goal is to be a chaplain that can serve "anyone and everyone." He does want to be known simply as a "Black chaplain who can only help Black people."

When asked what inspired him to become a minister in the first place, Rev. Thornton pauses, smiles and says "One day, my 'spiritual' house was on fire, and I needed someone to save me. So I called on Station No. 1 (the Lord) and he answered me, because I could not save myself."

Rev. Thornton has been senior pastor of Greater St. Mark for almost three years, and has been a pastor in Indianapolis since 1979. He served in the United States Navy as a 1st lieutenant in the Naval Chaplain School at Newport, R.I., and as a captain at the Chaplaincy School at Maxwell Air Force Base in Montgomery, Ala. He received an honorable discharge from the Navy in 1974, the same year he earned a bachelor of science degree in social work from Philander Smith College in Arkansas. Three years later, Rev. Thornton received his master of divinity degree from Gammon Theological Seminary in Atlanta. Rev. Thornton has been rewarded and honored by WTLC-FM Radio, the United Way of Greater Indianapolis, the City-County Council and the U.S. Army Finance and Accounting Center in Indianapolis. He and his wife of 25 years have three

Resolution on Affirmative Action

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Whereas,

These programs are under diabolic and vitriolic attacks by the present administration, with the President using January 15, 2003 as a day to attack and urge the Solicitor General of the United States to file a brief against the University of Michigan's Affirmative Action program, now before the U.S. Supreme Court; and

Whereas,

College and university students are organizing nationally to mobilize in large numbers in support of Affirmative Action; and

Whereas,

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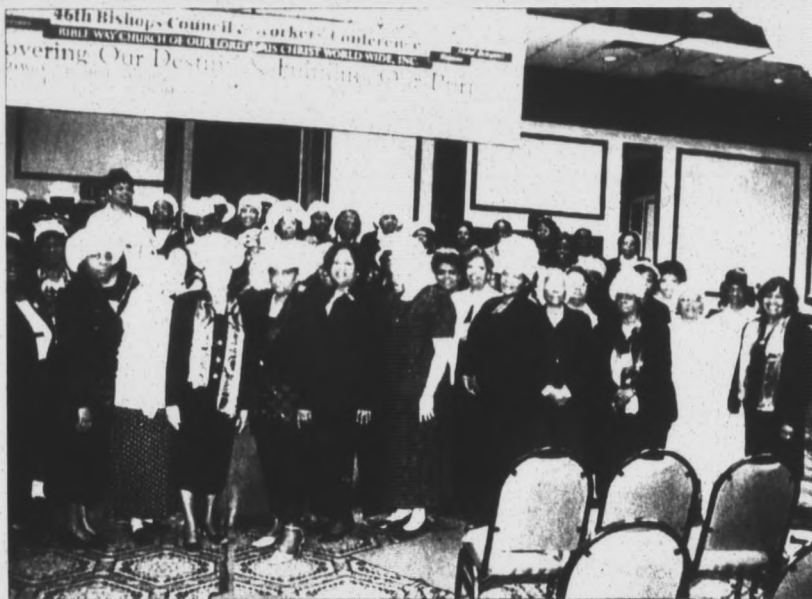
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RELIGION BRIEFS

Registration for Christian youth camps

Visions Summer Beauty Camp, sponsored by Visions Ministries Inc. celebrates its 11th season this summer. Visions Summer Beauty Camp is a program designed to position youth to be positive community role models. This is accomplished through God-inspired workshops designed to empower youth to make wise life decisions, teach effective coping skills, build self-confidence and esteem, sharpen communication skills, and provide direction and motivation.

Visions Ministries will also introduce this summer their program for boys ages 10-14, entitled M.A.L.E. (Men According to the Lord's Expectance). M.A.L.E. will be held at North Liberty Christian Church. Registration will be held Saturday, March 29 at the Ivy Tech State College North Meridian Campus, One W. 28th St., starting at 1 p.m. Classes and workshops will begin June 9 and will continue through Aug. 2. All activities will be conducted on Mondays from 4 to 8:30 p.m.

For registration and more information, call (317) 748-9060. For M.A.L.E. registration, and information call (317) 679-6185.

Booth operators and patrons invited to toy and clothing drive

Zion United Church of Christ is pleased to announce its Gently Used Children's Clothing and Toy Sale to be held on Saturday, March 29 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The sale is open to the public and will offer multiple booths with hundreds of quality, used and new children's items. All money raised by the sale of booth spaces will be donated to the Heifer Project International, a program that sends livestock and various other animals to starving countries. For additional information regarding the clothing sale or reserving a booth, contact Mynde Goble at (317) 862-1826. To contact Zion UCC directly, call (317) 862-4136.

Messiah to celebrate moving anniversary, lay new cornerstone

Rev. Stephen Clay, senior pastor of Messiah Missionary Baptist Church, and the Messiah church family, will celebrate the one-year anniversary of their move from 2701 N. California St. to 5640 E. 38th St. During the course of this celebration, the church will dedicate its new cornerstone. The celebration will take place at 5 p.m. on Sunday, March 30, at Messiah Missionary Baptist Church. They will worship with Dr. Donald Hudson, senior pastor of Mount Olive Missionary Baptist Church and the Mount Olive family. Immediately following service, Messiah will host a cake and punch reception. All are welcome to celebrate with the Messiah church as they "Celebrate the Victory: A Legacy of Excellence." For more information, call (317) 568-1534.



Overseer Brian Collins, special guest and National President of the Bibleway Global College, is shown with his wife, Angela.



Chief Apostle from Brooklyn, NY, Bishop Huie L. Rogers presented the closing remarks.



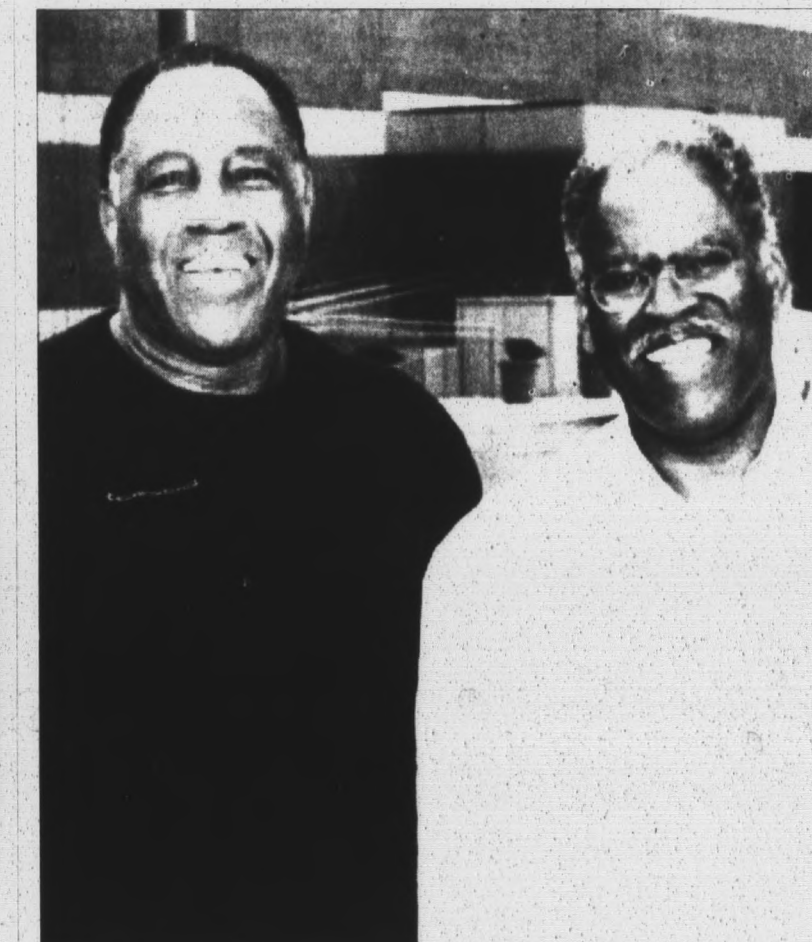
Bishop Joseph Grant, Maryland National Convention coordinator prayed for prosperity at the convention.

Pastor Clay at the Statehouse



State Senator, Glenn Howard (left) poses with Rev. Stephen J. Clay, pastor of Messiah Missionary Baptist Church. Clay, who served as "Minister of the Day" offered the invocation before the Senate met. (Photo/ R. Foster)

A visit to Indy



The Recorder caught a glimpse of NBA announcer Steve Jones and NCAA official Ron Stratton during a recent visit to Indianapolis. (Photo/R. Foster)

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New Church Plant!

Pastor A. Thomas Hill has accepted the call as Senior Pastor for a new church plant in the Indianapolis area with the blessings of Pastor Jeffrey A. Johnson Sr., Eastern Star Church. The first service is scheduled for **Easter Sunday, April 20, 2003, 9:30am**, at Pike Performing Arts Center, 6701 Zionsville Road.

You are invited to attend one of the five informational meetings, held at Eastern Star Church, 5750 E. 30th Street, to learn more about the vision and direction for the ministry of Healing Streams.

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Obituaries

Charles Leon Lyles
Charles Leon Lyles, 63, Indianapolis, died Sunday. He was a contract auditor for the Indiana State Department of Transportation. He is survived by a daughter, Michelle A. Moore; a wife, Patricia M. Lyles; three step-daughters, Pamela McKinnis, Vanessa Rutledge and Terry Kyles; two step-sons, Dwight Moore and Keith Moore; maternal aunt, Sallie Howze; three nephews, Gregory Pipkin, Stephen Pipkin and Pierre Stahres; several daughters, Cindy Rice; grandchildren, and 14 great-grandchildren. Funeral services will be held at 12 p.m. Sunday at Crown Hill Funeral Home. Visitation is from 9 a.m. to noon.

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"I Will do a New Thing, Nothing Shall be Denied"



Christ Missionary Baptist Church held their 57th Annual Women's Day Service last Sunday. This year's theme was "Living... Bearing in the Fruit." Special guest preacher was Rev. Brenda Girton-Mitchell, Pastor of Metropolitan Baptist Church, Washington, D.C. (left). She's also the sister of Christ Missionary Pastor Melvin B. Girton. Above: Rev. Girton-Mitchell enjoys praise music from the Christ Missionary Praise Team. Right: Sister Sheryl Davis, who works with the hearing impaired, communicates a solo in sign language during the Praise Team's musical presentation. (Photo/J. Hurst)





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At 104, widow of traveling evangelist strong in mind, faith

By **BOBBY ROSS JR.**
Associated Press Writer

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — On weekday afternoons, 104-year-old Laura Keeble sits in her nursing home room, content to watch Oprah Winfrey on television.

But at 3 p.m. on Sundays, the widow of traveling evangelist Marshall Keeble expects someone to wheel her downstairs for worship service.

"I'm going as long as I'm able to get up," she says.

Baptized in the Mississippi creek 90 years ago, this gentle woman known as "Sister Keeble" boasts a spiritual strength that belies her wrinkles, white hair and wheelchair.

For much of her life, she lived in the shadows of her husband, who baptized an estimated 40,000 people, started more than 250 Churches of Christ — mainly black congregations — and quietly worked for integration.

But Sister Keeble, who also became "Mama" to dozens of young girls, has her own story.

Born Aug. 6, 1898, Laura Catherine Johnson was one of seven girls and three boys in her family. Her father, Luke, worked in an iron foundry. Her mother, Susan, was a nurse.

Laura attended No. 2 High School, the black school in Corinth, Miss. Her great-granddaughter Gwen Cummings, 52, asked her one time if she resented the segregated education.

"We weren't taught that way," Cummings recalled her saying. "We stayed busy and we stayed circled in Christianity."

When Keeble came along he was already a well-known minister. Laura was 35, working as a nanny and wondering if she might die an "old maid."

Keeble, the son of slaves, was a recent widower and 20 years older than Laura. His first wife, Minnie, a Fisk University graduate, helped teach the

preacher how to read and write. In 36 years of marriage, the couple had five children, two of whom died in infancy.

"Some of you ought to find me a good wife," Keeble told friends after Minnie died from an illness. "I can't live single the rest of my life as young as I am."

A relative suggested Laura, and Keeble initiated the courtship with letters. To see a preacher "flirting around with a woman" disgusted him, he said, so he never spent more than five minutes alone with her before they married.

Keeble later said the relative "told me I'd get the best rose in the Johnson flower garden, and I think I did."

Today, though she is somewhat forgetful, Sister Keeble's love for her husband still shines through.

"Ain't he a dandy?" she says, holding a black-and-white photograph of her husband of 34 years. "He loved to dress and go preach. He'd say, 'Come on, Mama, let's go to church.'"

She chuckles as she recalls their drawn-out honeymoon: a three-month tent revival that he preached in California.

Keeble's gospel meetings often drew whites as well as blacks, making him a target of the Ku Klux Klan. Others criticized him for not taking a more militant position on integration.

"Integration? I would rather get it slow than get it wrong," he said in 1964. He described how he had raised \$50,000 for an all-white Christian college in Oklahoma, prompting school leaders to decide "they could not take the money I raised and turn our colored children away."

While the minister spent weeks and even months on the road, Sister Keeble stayed home.

"There was plenty to do at home to keep her occupied," author Willie Cato wrote in the book "His Hand and His Heart ... The Wit and Wisdom of Marshall Keeble." "She became

a very loving mother to his three children and also to the grandchildren."

Later, when the minister served as president of the Nashville Christian Institute, a school for black children, Sister Keeble kept up to a dozen girls at a time in her home. She never gave birth to a child, but she became "Mama" to many.

However busy their days were, the Keebles always knelt and prayed before going to bed — and prayer is still an integral part of Sister Keeble's life.

When she fell and fractured her back a few years ago, Sister Keeble insisted on thanking God before she sipped a cup of soup.

"She was in such pain ... but she said, 'Righteous father, I most humbly thank you for these blessings that you've given me,'" Cummings said, her voice choking with emotion.

Keeble's favorite song is "Faith Is The Victory."

"I used to wonder why she liked that song," Cummings said. "As I grow older, I understand. She's lived by faith."

That helps explain why Sister Keeble insists on attending worship as long as she can.

On a recent Sunday — even though she was suffering from a nasty cough — Sister Keeble had a relative roll her wheelchair to the nursing home lobby for worship service.

She wore a purple dress and a diamond ring that her husband gave her — a blue, decades-old church hymnal rested on her lap.

About 40 nursing home residents sang "O for a Faith that Will Not Shrink," then men from the church across the street prayed and offered communion.

As the collection plate approached, Sister Keeble pulled out a \$5 bill.

"Nobody's expecting her to give," Cummings said.

But Sister Keeble saw it differently.

"The Lord is," she said.

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Sports



Fritz Pollard the first Black coach in the NFL.

NFL minorities to campaign for equal rights, coaching jobs

NEW YORK (AP) — For the first time, NFL minority coaches and executives will band together to fight for equal opportunities in a sport still struggling to promote Blacks on the field and in the front office.

They have formed a group to try to ensure that minorities receive fair consideration for all NFL job openings.

"This is a turning point for equal opportunity in the league," said Cyrus Mehri, whose study of the league's minority hiring practices, released last September, spurred a move to add more Blacks to the upper levels of NFL teams.

"For the first time, African-American front-office and coaching personnel are standing shoulder to shoulder to level the playing field."

While there has long been a loose coalition of Black non-players in the NFL, this is the first formal organization. The group was organized at a meeting in Indianapolis.

The group will be led by Hall of Fame tight end Kellen Winslow and former Cleveland Brown guard John Wooten, and will be named the Fritz Pollard Alliance after the first Black coach in the NFL.

Pollard coached the Hammond, Ind., Pros from 1923-25, the last minority head coach in the league until Art Shell was appointed coach of the then-Los Angeles Raiders in 1989.

The group will consist of one representative elected from each of the 32 teams. Mehri and Johnnie Cochran Jr., who have been at the forefront of the push for minority hiring, will be the lawyers for the group.

The group will be the connection between Blacks and the league committee on minority affairs, headed by Pittsburgh owner Dan Rooney. The NFL, at the recommendation of Rooney's committee, now requires that all teams interview at least one minority candidate for each coaching vacancy.

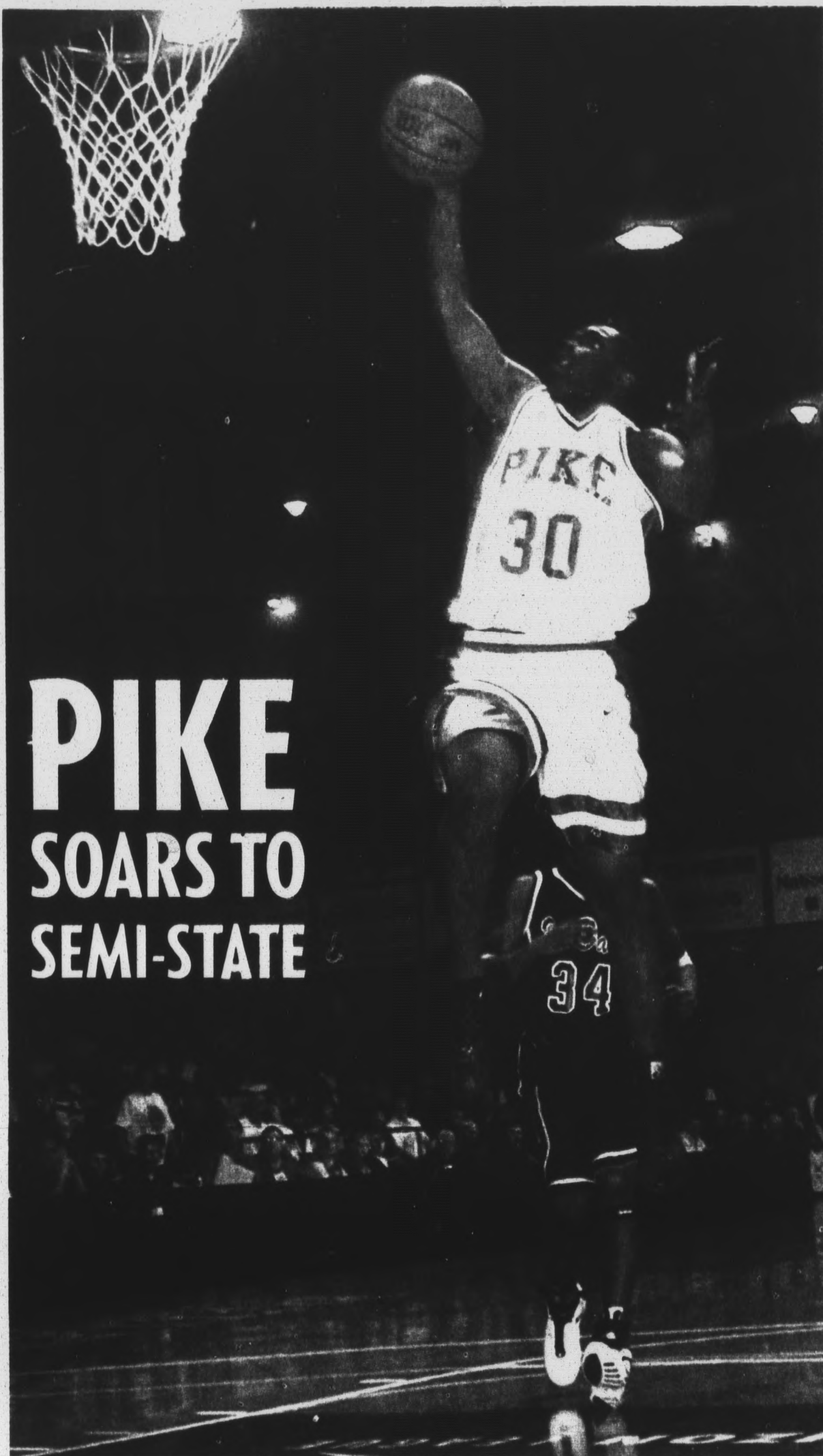
Hoosier Park's Standardbred Meet to start

Live pari-mutuel horse racing in Indiana kicks off March 22 as Hoosier Park opens its 10th annual Standardbred Meet. The meet runs through Friday, May 30. The post time for all Standardbred dates at Hoosier Park is 6:45 p.m. Live racing will be conducted Wednesday through Sunday during the meet with two exceptions:

- There will be no racing on Easter Sunday, April 20.
- There will be special Memorial Day card on Monday, May 26.

Admission to Hoosier Park is \$2. Self-parking is free, and valet parking is available. Hoosier Park has a playground for kids to enjoy.

Hoosier Park is located off I-69, Exit 26 in Anderson, just 20 minutes north of Castleton.



PIKE SOARS TO SEMI-STATE



Pike High School's Darren Yates (30) soars to the basket for a break away dunk against Ben Davis last weekend in the Class 4A Regional Championship game at Hinkle Fieldhouse. Pike hit key free throws in the final minutes of the fourth quarter to pull away from the Stanely Burrell-led Giants. Burrell had 22 points in the loss. Pike (27-0) advances to the Southport Semi-State to play Evansville Harrison (23-2) Saturday afternoon.

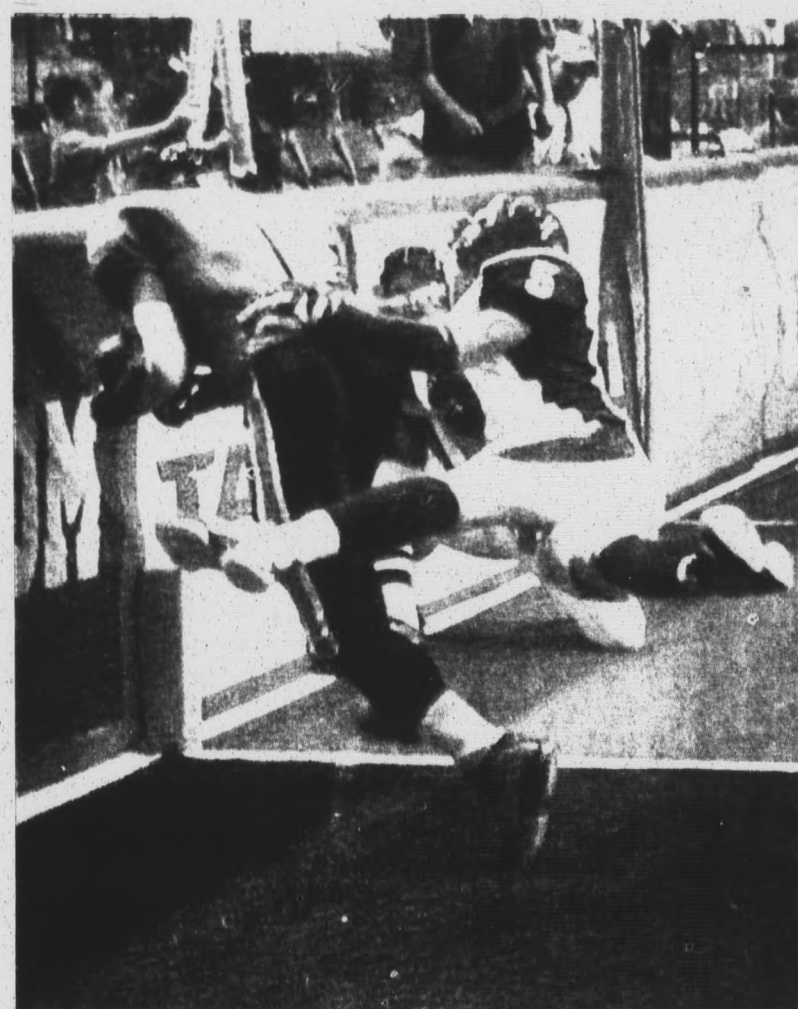
In the afternoon game Pike traded buckets with Lawrence North until (left) Robert Vaden (24), Courtney Lee (32) and the top ranked Red Devils executed their press-on-key possessions late in the game to post a 55-47 win over the highly rated Wildcats. The Wildcats' Chaz Spicer (33) scored 15 points in a losing effort. (Photos / J. Hurst)

Pacers announce winner of Black History Challenge



During Black History Month, the Indiana Pacers, in conjunction with the Indiana Historical Society, the Indianapolis-Marion County Public Library, The Indianapolis Recorder and Emmis Communications sponsored the Black History Challenge. This year's winner is Ian Slinker (center), a second grade student at Nora Elementary. Recorder President and General Manager, Carolene Mays (second from right) and daughter Jada are shown with other sponsor representatives. (Photo/ W. Thomas)

WEEK IN REVIEW



Firebirds Eddie Brown (17) continues to provide a spark for the faltering offense. Brown scores one of his two touchdowns in what turns out to be Indiana's lowest point total in franchise history. Los Angeles ran away with the game 42-20.



RAQ Promotions' "Thump-N On Thursday" professional boxing returned to the State Fairgrounds with a full card. Indy's own "Lil" Joe Hutchinson (right) lands a solid left between the gloves of welterweight Michael Orr. Hutchinson delivered a TKO in this six-round main event. The undercard included a female heavyweight bout won by Cincinnati's Tanisha Dunn. (Photos / J. Hurst)



Pacers fall to Trailblazers

Indiana Pacers Jermaine O'Neal (7) scores two of his game high 31 points as Portland's Arnydas Sabonis (11) and Bonzi Wells (6) are caught flat footed. Despite O'Neal's efforts the Pacers lost another one as they slide further back in the standings. (Photo/ W. Thomas)

Jermaine O'Neal

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4:30 p.m. Boys' Slam Dunk Competition

5:00 p.m. Girls' 3-point Shooting Contest

5:30 pm. Boys' All-Star Classic

Tickets on sale at Conseco Fieldhouse Box Office and all Ticketmaster outlets, by phone at (317) 239-5151 or via the internet at www.ticketmaster.com.

Group tickets are also available by calling the Indiana Pacers' office at (317) 917-2500

The tournament features the best senior boys and girls basketball players

in Marion County participating in 3-point shooting contests,

all-star games and, for the boys, a slam dunk contest.

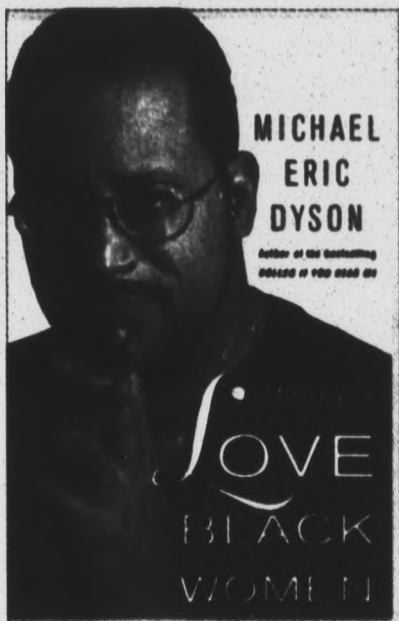
Proceeds from the tournament will go to local charities.



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**Author's love
based only on
the superficial**

By KAM WILLIAMS
For The Recorder

(*Why I Love Black Women* by Michael Eric Dyson, Basic Civitas Books, 314 pages.)

"The love of Black women is indeed a divine gift. It is also our privilege and responsibility to love Black women. We owe it to our children, and to their children, to embrace our women - our mothers, our sisters, our daughters, our aunts, our grand- and great-grandmothers, our wives and our lovers. By blessing them, we bless ourselves..."

"And finally, I think we should celebrate a crucial feature of Black women's bodies. Even if you don't agree with me that there is a cosmic consistency between Black women's behinds and the structure of our planet, there can be little denying that Black women's behinds inspire homage to the God that created them."

"I believe that Black women's derrieres are the signature of a God who stands behind her work - that they are the fleshy, formidable fruit of God's love for all of us who love Black women. We should celebrate the Black woman's behind - fat or fatter, big or bigger, huge or huger... In the end, so to speak, the Black woman's gluteous maximus is a joy to be held."

- Excerpted from sermon by Michael Eric Dyson

A couple of years ago, Michael Eric Dyson wrote *Holler if You Hear Me*, a fan club-lite look at the hip-hop generation, in general, and at the life of Tupac Shakur, in particular. In the process, Dyson all but ignored the fact that rap artists routinely refer to African-American women as b-words and hos in their songs and display them accordingly in their music videos.

I suspect that he must have caught a lot of flak for failing to address gangsta' rap's rampant misogyny, because his new book is a ceaseless celebration of the Black female form.

Dyson, married and an ordained minister, is the Avalon Professor in the Humanities at the University of Pennsylvania. But none of the above gets in the way of his expressing his love for sisters in a way which is almost palpably primal.

While he does devote some worthwhile space to his mother, to the grade school teacher who first exposed him to Black history and to other "wo-mentors" who really played a critical role in his personal development, the bulk of the book focuses on what seems to be his compulsive attraction to the rich and famous.

My problem with the text is that the author's "love" is repeat-

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Greene remains steadfast in pursuit

By SHANNON WILLIAMS
Recorder Editor

Vocalist Everett Greene has been performing for over 50 years, yet the man with the baritone voice and the charm of Sydney Poitier shows no signs of slowing down.

The Recorder recently caught up with Greene who says he developed his love for singing and performing from his mother.

"I used to love going to hear her sing. When I was just 4-years-old she taught me my first song. I sang all through school, and participated in (a number) of (social) clubs and organizations."

A longtime Indy resident, Greene's musical style can be described as a combination of sophistication and wit to an eclectic mix of jazz and pop,

with a touch of gospel. Though most would quite simply classify him as a jazz singer.

Currently, The Everett Greene Quartet performs at a variety of private functions in Indiana as well as at jazz festivals in a number of cities and states.

So what's next for Greene?

"I intend to really keep doing what I do. I try to broaden my horizons as far as getting out more in different areas. I want to get myself so well established that I can take my own musicians. I am comfortable working with other musicians, but I'm even more so when I have my own guys. We have lots and lots of songs that we can do at almost any time and any situation," said Greene.

The Everett Green Quartet's next public performance will be at the Madame Walker Theatre, 617 Indiana Avenue at 6 p.m. on April 11. Admission is \$8.



Members of Everett Greene's band are trumpet player Cliff Ratliff and bass player Mingo Jones. Not pictured is drummer Kenny Phelps.



Everett Greene accompanied by piano player Marvin Chandler (Photos/J. Hurst)

Evening Dinner with Freetown Village

Freetown Village is a living history museum, that captures the times of the post-Civil War era for African-Americans in Indiana. The characters of Freetown Village are historical composites of nearly 3,000 Blacks that lived in Indianapolis in 1870. A recent dinner hosted by Freetown Village took audience members to a journey back in time to experience first-hand foods from African-American ancestors as well as issues of concern. Throughout the year, Freetown Village presents a variety of events for public enjoyment. (Photos/J. Hurst)



Mother Endura, is Freetown Village's root woman, who mixes natural herbs.



Eliza Freeman, wife of Levi Freeman came to Indiana from Virginia. The Freeman's were blacksmiths in 1870.



A native of North Carolina, Guinea Blue was a street peddler in Freetown Village.



Character Daniel Thornton, was a native of Washington D.C. and a Freetown Village politician and lawyer.

'District' actress Lynne Thigpen dead at 54



LOS ANGELES (AP) — Lynne Thigpen, who co-starred in the CBS drama "The District" and won a Tony Award in 1997 for her portrayal of a Black Jewish feminist in "An American Daughter," has died. She was 54.

Thigpen died last week in her Los Angeles home. She had been in good health, network spokeswoman Beth Haiken said.

Production was shut down on "The District," which stars Craig T. Nelson as Washington, D.C., police Chief Jack Mannion. Thigpen played Mannion's administrative assistant Ella Farmer.

"I'm in shock. She was a wonderful actress and a friend," Nelson said in a statement.

"The beauty, compassion and talent that you saw on the screen was not just superb acting, it was the very essence of this wonderful woman," said John Wirth, the drama's executive producer. "We will miss her terribly."

Haiken said the 20th episode was in production last week.

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edly expressed to the point of distraction in the sensual, simmering, but not quite expressly sexual terms of a dime-store romance novel. As a result, the book reads like the literary equivalent of the jive dude, flirting indiscriminately, who tries a different line on every woman he passes as he walks down the street.

It just looks very bizarre when you consider that this Ivy League professor is getting all worked up, not over strippers, but over academics, lawyers, congresswomen, celebrities and business executives. Always leading with looks and ostensibly in lust, Dyson barely contains himself, each detailed description outdoing the last.

Some typical examples:

On meeting attorney Star Jones: "She has impeccable, walnut-colored skin, big beautiful almond-shaped eyes, framed by eyelashes that beat like butterfly wings against the wind, a brilliant and infectious smile, sweetly succulent lips, and a smoldering sensuality that floods her pores."

On dancing with singer Freda Payne: "One of the most mercifully sexy women in the world, a 55-year-old woman from whose every pore there screamed a sensuality so intense that I had to remind myself that I wasn't in a private dream where I might range freely over my imagination without censure... The thrill of the night came unexpectedly during our final dance: her splendid backside seemingly rising to my face as her hands nearly scraped the floor. I was flabbergasted, moved, disturbed, bothered as the erotic swirl of her movement sent me crashing into sensual overload. I was done."

Spoken to professor Angela Davis about her having inspired his interest in politics: "I can't lie - it was because you were so fine."

On Essence Magazine Editor Susan Taylor: "Lithe, strikingly beautiful, brown-skinned woman."

On Brown University President Ruth Simmons: "The attractive, mocha-colored woman with the big eyes, wide smile and

shapely legs."

On California Congresswoman Maxine Waters: "I first caught a glimpse of her alluringly handsome, rich-cocoa face, her gorgeously voluptuous lips, her petite and shapely frame, and her formidable intelligence in 1990."

About meeting the late Dr. Betty Shabazz (Malcolm X's widow) "...gazing on her smooth, attractive, ebony face."

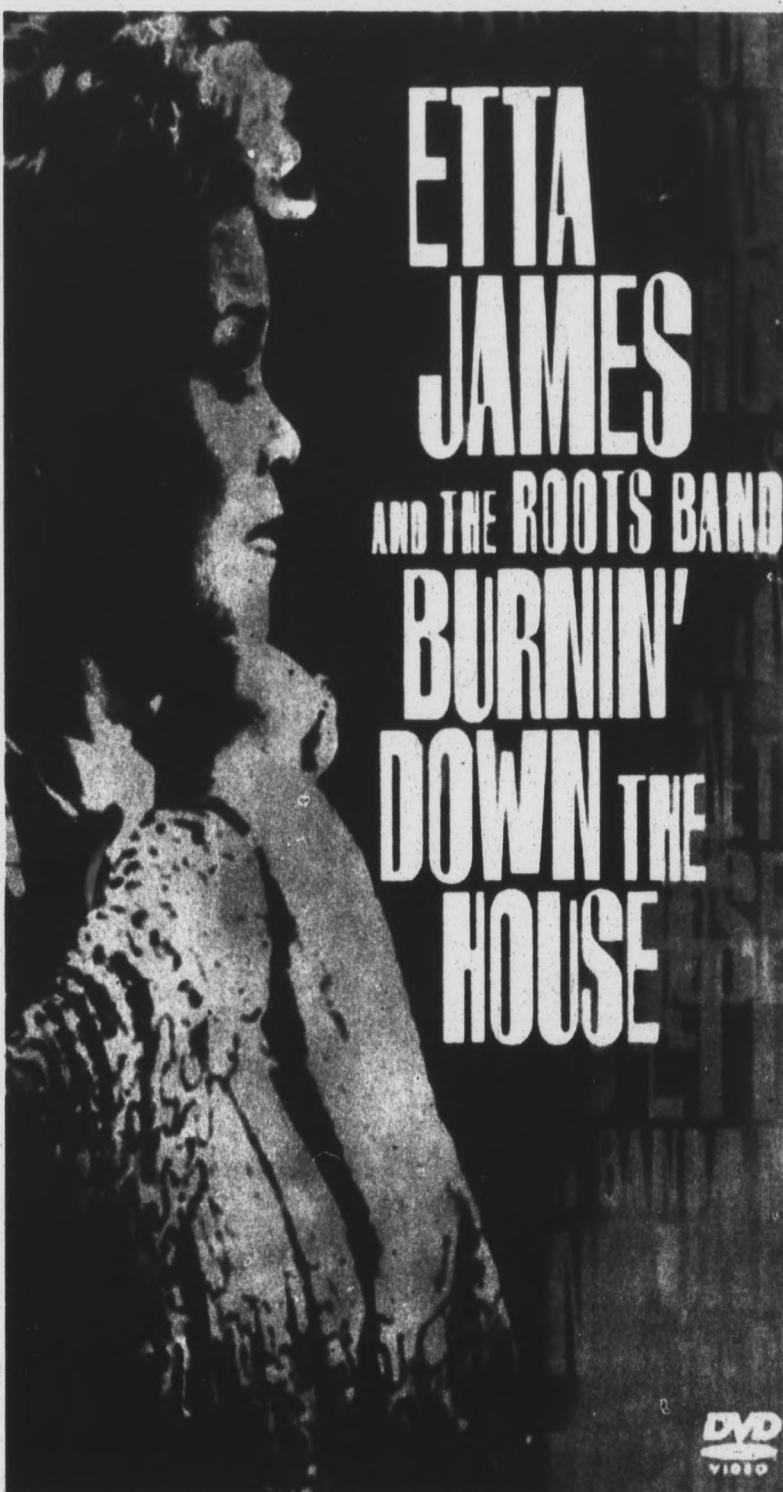
On Pulitzer Prize-winning author Toni Morrison: "Her rich golden brown face was centered by a perfectly shaped African nose and anchored by gorgeous lips carved from sweet chocolate hues. Her penetrating eyes fixed in a gaze that was at once cerebral and sensual. Toni was simply sexy."

Again and again, Dyson moves so effortlessly from "a dream team of ebony pulchritude" to "flawless chocolate skin" to "skin-tight snakeskin slacks" to "a drop-dead gorgeous scoop of dark chocolate dessert" to "a torso as taut as a Marine's bed" to "a voluptuous, light brown beauty" to "a gorgeous mocha-colored face with incredibly shapely lips and baby-doll eyes carved in an almond mold" to "a gently heaving bosom" to "a beautiful yellow woman" to "pretty chocolate doll" to "deep, rich, maple-colored beauty with succulent cheeks, sexy, full lips and milk-smooth skin" to "a smoky, sultry chocolate stunner" to "amazingly svelte and curvaceous" to "a shapely, buff sister with a dewy, espresso-brown complexion" to "beige woman, possessed of a regal air" to "a honey brown-skinned beauty whose cherubic cheeks, expressive eyes, voluptuous form and sandy haired dreadlocks cut a remarkably striking figure" to, my favorite, "finer than the print at the bottom of a contract whipped up at midnight by a shady lawyer."

Need I continue? He sounds like he might be moonlighting as a ghostwriter at Harlequin Books.

In sum, though Michael Eric Dyson's heart might have been in the right place when he sat down to write *Why I Love Black Women*, unfortunately, his lust got in the way of his effectively expressing that profoundly exquisite emotion in anything deeper than transparently superficial terms.

Obesity no longer has a hold on blues legend Etta James



LONG BEACH, Calif. (BlackNews.com) — At last, after struggling with a life-long weight problem, obesity no longer has a hold on blues legend Etta James.

The 65-year-old performer has found a blues free way to slim down and keep it off - surgery. Since undergoing the Fobi Pouch procedure for obesity two years ago, James, who had tipped the scales at

400 pounds, has shed more than 160 pounds and feels healthier than she has in years.

Dr. Mal Fobi, one of the nation's top obesity surgeons who has helped other entertainers including Roseanne Barr lose weight, essentially reduced James' stomach creating a pouch which limits her food intake and gives her the sensation of being full much more quickly.



"I thought I was going to die," recalls James, who currently weighs around 235 pounds. "I was constantly worried I was going to have a heart attack. Dr. Fobi saved my life."

In fact, it was Roseanne Barr who convinced James to seek Dr. Fobi's help when she sang on her show a few years ago. James said, "She pulled me aside in the dressing room before the show and said, 'Girl, you need to see Dr. Fobi.' Later she came on stage and sang and danced the hoochie coochie with me. I saw what a difference losing the weight had done for her life. She looked good."

James' life has been a study in the blues as she also battled and overcame drug addiction. Despite tough personal traumas and the fickleness of the music business, James had proved a survivor distinguishing herself as an R&B, soul and blues pioneer for more than five decades.

Whether she's growled with womanly desire on her earliest hit "Roll With Me Henry" (a feminist anthem well before the term feminism was common), soared like a swooning angel over the billowing clouds of strings in her timeless ballad "At Last," cried the blues with shattering eloquence in "I'd Rather Go Blind" or taken possession of the songs of Billie Holiday for her Grammy-winning 1994 album "Mystery Lady," Etta James has won her fans' hearts by putting her own

into every captivating syllable.

James recently received the 2003 Grammy Lifetime Achievement Award, an accolade that is presented by vote of the Recording Academy's National Trustees to performers who, during their lifetimes, have made creative contributions of outstanding artistic significance to the field of recording. James was also nominated for a Grammy for her latest album "Burnin' Down the House: Live at the House of Blues" and will release a new recording later this year entitled, "Let's Roll." In April she will receive her own star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

"I have so much more energy now. I am so happy that I am alive and that I can walk," says James. Prior to her surgery, James suffered from a number of illnesses because of her excess weight - high blood pressure, heart problems and knee and joint pain.

She had difficulty walking and needed a motorized wheelchair to get to the stage during her concerts. As a result of losing the extra pounds, James was finally able to get her ailing right knee replaced, which has enabled her to become much more active on and off stage. "Recently, I walked on stage at the House of Blues in L.A. and I looked back at my band (The Roots Band) and saw tears in their eyes. These guys care about me. We've been through a lot together. When I sang that night, we all had tears in our eyes."

James is still losing weight and her goal is to eventually get down to 200 pounds. "Dr. Fobi thinks I can do it. I've gone through so much in my life. I should have been dead a long time ago, but I am still here and I am the happiest I've ever been," she adds.

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Stagga Lee is a new school rapper with an old school name



By RICARDO HAZELL
Electronic Urban Report

The Source magazine has spoken out against the co-opting of rap music by white folks. Well, from Artist Direct comes yet another great white to get the crowd hype. Named after a legendary Black folk character, this Yonkers, N.Y., native just wants a fair shot to shine.

"I got the name from a Lloyd Price song that came out in 1959 about a bada** dude name Stagga

Lee. I took the name. I come from Yonkers, N.Y. I was born in the Bronx and raised in Yonkers my whole life."

Between the Bronx and Yonkers, Lee acquired a taste for all types of music and his love for oldies helped him find his future moniker.

"I have been exposed to a diverse range of music since I was young. I was in an oldies stage during my teen years. I happened to be in my car one day with my uncle and (was) handed a tape of Oldies-type stuff. And I got all amped off of it."

The singer continued, "It's the characteristic of Stagga Lee. In the song, Stagga Lee's associate Billy jerks him out of some money. He lets it slide and goes home, but then he comes back and shoots him in a bar. I'm not a killer or nothing like that, so I didn't mean it in that aspect. But it's the essence of him going home and thinking 'No, I can't let this slide' and going back to do something about it. It's very similar to how my personality was. Plus, I'm bow-legged so when people heard my name was Stagga they said 'All right, it fits the way you walk.'"

Contrary to what some may want to believe, Eric Hillman, aka Stagga Lee, has been honing his skills for over a decade and tabs BIG, Rakim and Kool G. Rap as his major influences.

"I've been rhyming for about 10 years. I signed with Artist Direct in November of 2002. This is my first deal and the lead single is called 'Roll Wit' MVP.' MVP is the production company that did all the tracks for my album," Staffa said.

"The concept of the song came from Robert Cliviles," he said. "He came to me and said he thought it was good to use a sample from Minnie Ripperton. Then Max Perez, one of our producers, started building the track when I wrote the rhyme. I usually don't write tracks that fast, but I wrote that one in about 20 minutes."

The light and bouncy groove scores high marks for club-bumbability. That's just like Chester Cheetah's "Water-resositivity"...but different.

"It came out perfect. It just started out from nothing. From the (Minnie Ripperton sampled) La, La, La part they just added on and I wrote the rhyme off of that.

There's songs that I have, which aren't singles, that took me three weeks to write."

Robert Cliviles, now why does that name ring such a bell?

"Robert Cliviles was one half of C&C Music Factory. They did a lot of stuff with Mariah Carey, and Puffy. I know you remember 'I'm Gonna Make You Sweat.'"

"My album is called 'Game of Breath.' That's essentially what rap is, a game of breath. I also thought it had a nice ring to it like Bruce Lee's 'Game of Death,' this is Stagga Lee's 'Game of Breath,'" he said.

And what did he have to say about the brewing maelstrom of race relations in rap music?

"I don't really have any thoughts on that one. I'm just here to make records. Basically, what you see is what you get. Radio seems to be accepting (the single) really well. I've been keeping tabs on it from my house and it's been getting some really good spins."

Art exhibit showcases Black stereotypes in American culture

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A white gown and hood spread on the museum's floor are the first unsettling images greeting visitors at an exhibit exposing historical stereotypes of Blacks in American culture.

"The intended effect is to walk on this symbol of hatred," said Timothy Watkins about the Ku Klux Klan uniform. Watkins' personal collection of memorabilia helped create "Americana, Extremes Meet," on display through May 30 at the Cecil Ferguson Gallery in Los Angeles.

The compilation shows how images that demean Blacks are ingrained in American society.

For example, a 1930s print advertisement for Otis Elevators, hailing the advent of "finger tip control" buttons, depicts a Black porter in an offensive caricature with oversized lips and bulging eyes. He is leaning over to pick up bags for a white man in a trench coat.

The print copy appears to have a dual meaning, referring at once to the product and the porter: "Elevators that have that lazy uncertain way of getting up and down almost always respond admirably to a program of modernization."

Near the exhibit's entrance, a record album with a red KKK label is mounted on a wall. The record's title track is called "Daddy Swiped Our Last Clean Sheet and Joined the Ku Klux Klan." The album was produced by Columbia Recording Corp.

"You actually have companies that people recognize today that we believe perpetrated these images," Watkins said.

The exhibit showcases the memorabilia in an American-style living room, kitchen and children's bedroom.

"It's not meant just to shock. But it's meant to put in a part of history that is never taught," said curator Cecil Ferguson, 71.

That was the effect when a group of home-schooled students and their parents recently visited the gallery.

Noah Luke, a 10-year-old from Van Nuys, Calif., said he was especially moved by the figurines and postcards that depicted Black children as alligator bait. "It's overwhelming and sad," he said, adding that he planned to return with his video camera to make an amateur documentary about the exhibit.

Watkins, 49, said he has spent at least \$250,000 collecting the memorabilia, including \$2,000 spent for a book of sheet music titled, "Coon Songs." His instinct to collect was influenced by his father, Ted Watkins, who escaped a lynch mob in his youth in Mississippi.

One of the few things the elder Watkins managed to bring with him on his trek to California was the front page of a Civil War-era newspaper printed on wallpaper. The July 2, 1863, edition of the Daily Citizen is still in the family.

Over the years, father and son collected old cars, toy trains and fine glass, and memorabilia depicting Blacks.

"The stuff is so ugly that if all I do is collect it because it has some value as memorabilia, then I perpetuate the value of slavery," Watkins said.

the 2000 TV movie version of the play.

She also was nominated for a Tony for her role in "Tintypes," and won Obie Awards for "Jar the Floor" and "Boesman and Lena."

On TV, she portrayed the chief in the PBS series "Where in the World Is Carmen Sandiego?" and "Where in Time Is Carmen Sandiego?" She also appeared in the series "thirtysomething" and "L.A. Law" and the Hallmark Hall of Fame presentations of "Night Ride Home" and "The Boys Next Door."

Her film credits include "The Insider," "Shaft," "Random Hearts," "Lean on Me," "Footsie" and the recently released "Anger Management."

THIGPEN

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two more episodes were planned for the season. She said no decision had been made about how Thigpen's death would be dealt with on the show.

Thigpen, who was born and raised in Joliet, Ill., and made her home in New York, had a distinguished stage career and also worked steadily in films and television.

In 1997, she received the Tony Award for best supporting actress for her role as a Black Jewish feminist in Wendy Wasserstein's play "An American Daughter."

Thigpen re-created the role in

Crossword Answers

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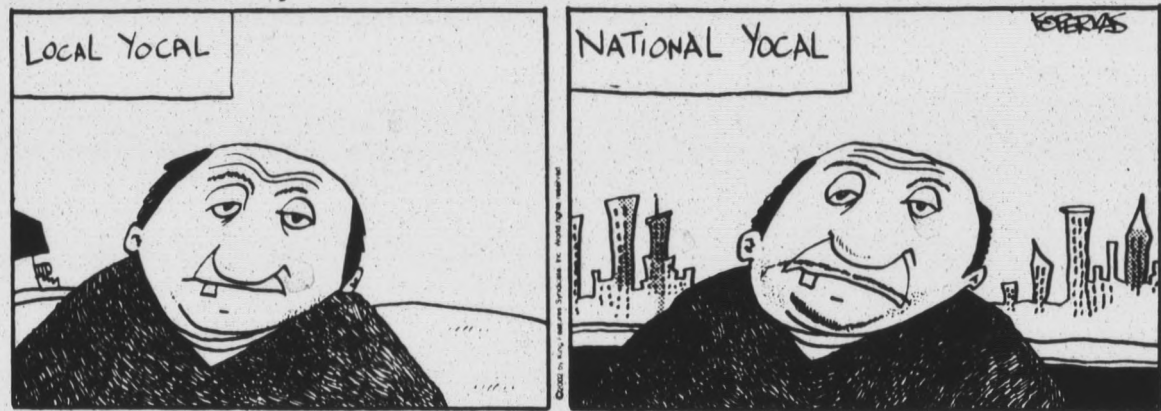
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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT BRIEFS

Urban Arts Consortium has new hours

The Urban Arts Consortium of Indianapolis, known for its diverse classes, exhibits and programs, recently completed its relocation to 3590 N. Meridian St. Program hours are 5-9 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturdays. The UACI spring class schedule continues to offer evening and Saturday classes in visual arts, ceramics, African and Latin drumming; Capoeira Angola, and the senior citizen ceramics class will be on Wednesdays from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Classes are for ages 5 through senior citizen and all skill levels are welcome.

Applications for UACI's 5th Annual Summer SOUL Program will be available in April. The six-week summer day camp for youth ages 6 through 13 provides classes and activities in all of the arts, beginning Spanish, and weekly field trips to museums, theaters and other cultural institutions of the community. For more information on UACI, go to their Web site urbanartsconsortium.com or call (317) 927-7260.

Flip Side will show talented aspects of medical professionals

Eta Chi Chapter, Chi Eta Sorority Inc. invites

the community to attend "Flip Side" at 7 p.m. on Saturday, March 29, at the Walker Theatre, 617 Indiana Ave. Cost is \$20 per person and \$10 for children. Flip Side is a variety show featuring the talented side of health care professionals. Chi Eta Phi is a national organization of registered, professional nurses. All proceeds from this event provide nursing scholarships. Since its inception in 1985, Flip Side has generated funds to award greater than \$75,000 in nursing scholarships. For tickets and more information, call (317) 254-0179 or (317) 547-9943.

Literary tea will spotlight poet Emily Dickinson

A literary tea focusing on the life and work of Emily Dickinson will take place on Saturday, March 29, from 1-3 p.m. at the Historic Landmarks Foundation's Morris-Butler House Museum, located at 1204 N. Park Ave. The cost is \$25 for Historic Landmarks members. Reservations are required. In celebration of Women's History Month, the Morris-Butler House will shine the spotlight on Dickinson. Participants will discuss the life of the reclusive 19th century poet, who largely confining herself to her Amherst, Mass., home, wrote more than 1,000 poems. Unappreciated in her lifetime. Her verse went on to have a major impact on modern poetry.

WHAT'S HAPPENING DOWNTOWN

Through March 28

Now through April 20
March Madness
NCAA Hall of Champions

10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
\$7 adults; \$6 seniors; \$4 students; FREE ages 5 & under
See how March Madness began and how it continues today as one of the most exciting times of the year for sports fans.

March 20 & 22
NCAA Men's Basketball 1st & 2nd Rounds
RCA Dome
Various Times
\$105 - \$135

It's time for the big dance and downtown is hosting the 1st and 2nd Round games. So pick your team to cheer for and come see them try to make it to the next round.

March 21 - 23
Blue's Clues
Murat Centre

11 a.m.; 2 p.m.; 5 p.m. & 7 p.m.
\$14.50 - \$26.50

Take the family to see Blue's Clues come to life on stage.

March 21 & 26
Indiana Pacers
Conseco Fieldhouse
7 p.m.
\$10 - \$45

Cheer on the Pacers as they take on the Memphis Grizzlies on Friday and the Philadelphia 76ers on Wednesday.

March 23
Indiana Firebirds vs. Tampa Bay Storm
Conseco Fieldhouse
noon
\$5 - \$99

Come check out what arena football action is all about as the Firebirds battle against the Storm.

Information provided by Indianapolis Downtown Inc. For more information or a calendar of events call 237-2222 or visit www.indydt.com.



HOROSCOPES

Soul Vibrations

For entertainment purposes only

Through March 28

Lucky Numbers: 4, 26, 29

ARIES

Communications flow smoothly this week and your word is golden. A wild idea for moneymaking could come to you, but you should let the strictly material walk on by. Stick to your current plan and use your imagination for ways to streamline your work.

Soul Affirmation: I celebrate freedom of mind this week.

Lucky Numbers: 4, 6, 19

TAURUS

An ambition that you thought you had left behind years ago suddenly resurfaces, and you'll see similarities between what you are doing now and what you dreamed of back then.

Soul Affirmation: I give thanks for who I am this week.

Lucky Numbers: 9, 16, 26

GEMINI

Give your busy brain a rest and work your body this week. It's a great week for physical activity that can loosen up muscles and relieve tensions. You'll receive some practical advice from a distant relative. You'll have to play two seemingly opposite roles this week.

Soul Affirmation: My smile gives light to everyone I meet this week.

Lucky Numbers: 2, 53, 54

CANCER

Heath matters are on your mind. Accept responsibility for achieving the best state of health that you can. Your sign is one of the most powerful for health-giving, life-affirming habits.

Soul Affirmation: My love for myself is the most important love for me to have.

Lucky Numbers: 7, 8, 19

LEO

Answers may seem hard to find this week, but with your talent for analysis, the answers won't elude you for long. You'll want to try to keep the big picture in mind, and focusing on details will make that difficult. The sooner you let go and let things happen, the sooner the solution will arrive.

Soul Affirmation: I love pressure as a test of how much I can master.

Lucky Numbers: 13, 42, 45

VIRGO

Things clear up and you are feeling frisky. Use some of that energy to get ahead of details at work, to spruce up your living space, or to get some outdoor chores done. It's a great week for being your best self.

Soul Affirmation: I remain adaptable so I can deal with changing circumstances.

LIBRA

A family member may call early next week with a problem, and you may feel as if you are obliged to attend to it, even though it's not your problem. You'll clear up any difficult feelings with ease. Everything will be fine by next weekend.

Soul Affirmation: I let my words come from my heart.

Lucky Numbers: 6, 18, 50

SCORPIO

Give yourself plenty of opportunities to experience the good life this week. All vibrations point to your meeting a new friend, possibly while you are out with someone else. Your special sense of self is highly attractive right now, and you'll be pulling goodness toward you.

Soul Affirmation: Negative thoughts are too heavy a burden to carry.

Lucky Numbers: 17, 46, 47

SAGITTARIUS

Talk less, work more this week, and you'll avoid arguments with a partner. Spirit dwells everywhere and in everything and it's your task to seek it out as you live your life. Week by week, you must be a more loving person.

Soul Affirmation: I let my love work for me.

Lucky Numbers: 48, 50, 55

CAPRICORN

Your energy level is up and you can get a lot done on a creative project. What you put your time and energy into is what you love, so treat yourself lovingly. What you create expresses who you are.

Soul Affirmation: Luck is my best friend this week.

Lucky Numbers: 34, 51, 52

AQUARIUS

An unexpected invitation may arrive. Say yes, get dressed, and go. You'll have a good time and you may meet a kindred spirit while you are out. A very special week is yours when you take the time to reveal your special-ness to someone.

Soul Affirmation: Another week in which to rejoice is upon me. Ah-h-h-h-h!

Lucky Numbers: 21, 38, 41

PISCES

Love is moving in every direction. Whichever way you look, you'll see manifestations of love. That's because you have so much love in your heart. In this sense, love is like a perfume; you won't be able to give some away without getting some on you.

Soul Affirmation: The widest outlook comes from the look within.

Lucky Numbers: 9, 18, 54

Super Crossword SWIPED!

- ACROSS

1 TV's "The Show"

5 Pinnacle

9 Elfman's "Dharma & Greg"

14 Terra --

19 Burn remedy

20 Make murky

21 "There's Out Tonight" (61 hit)

22 Took on board

23 Clingy critters

25 Start of a remark

27 Self-smitten

28 Change for a five

30 Papal name

31 Pipe cleaner?

32 -- impasse

34 Part of CPA

38 Hackney's home

41 Part 2 of remark

47 Ram's ma'am

48 Teachers' org

49 -- mater

50 Guitar accessory

51 Neighbor of Can

54 Calculus

57 Went along with

59 Like some attics

61 Commoner

62 Dentist's weapon?

63 Macabre

65 One -- customer

66 Jury member

68 Nonclerical

69 Deli delicacy

70 Gourmet Graham

71 Part 3 of remark

75 Part 4 of remark

78 Set up the ball

79 First lady?

80 Letters of desperation?

81 Place for a patch

82 Woodworking tool

83 Hunt like a hound

85 Atlanta campus

87 February forecast

90 Knight wear?

92 Breakfast food

94 Singing wonder

96 Baseball's Nolan

97 Cassette

98 Pons or Ponselle

100 Shady character?

101 "For shame!"

103 Part 5 of remark

107 Treasure

110 "The Wind in the Willows" character

111 Sink or swim?

112 PC key

113 Cutesy suffix

115 Hammett hound

118 Basics

121 End of remark

127 Turnpike feature

130 "Gay"

131 More advanced

132 More of Italy

133 Sono distance

134 Mouth-watering

135 White wine

136 Regensburg refusal

137 Tropical tuber

7 Bearing

8 In addition

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10 Cassowary kin

11 Figs.

12 Yuletide

13 Acon-cagua's locale

14 Comic Margaret

15 Garage supply

16 Sing like a soprano

17 Topol role

18 "Zip -- Doo-Dah"

24 Pro foe

26 Lug

29 Patriotic org.

33 At a distance

35 "Northern Exposure" town

36 Dressed

37 Home on the range?

39 Mindful

40 Bartok or Lugosi

41 Cable channel

42 Bucket of bolts

43 Butz or Warren

44 Actor Epps

45 Glib

46 Sings on a mountain

52 Out to get

53 Salt away

55 Not so hot

56 Cain's victim

58 "The Great Pacificator"

59 Forward-looking

60 Dry goods measure

62 Ambition

64 Foe of Apollo

67 Vertical

70 New Hampshire city

71 A Four Corners state

72 More up-to-date

73 Savalas of "Kojak"

74 Duration

75 Major --

76 Tristan's tootsie

77 Unisex garment

80 One of the Finger Lakes

83 Austen title

84 Characteristic

86 Sudden attack

88 "Glad All --" (64 hit)

89 Feral

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93 Lhasa --

94 Content completely

95 Printer's measures

99 "The Four Seasons" composer

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104 Nutritional abbr.

105 Grouch

106 Costello's crony

107 Skater

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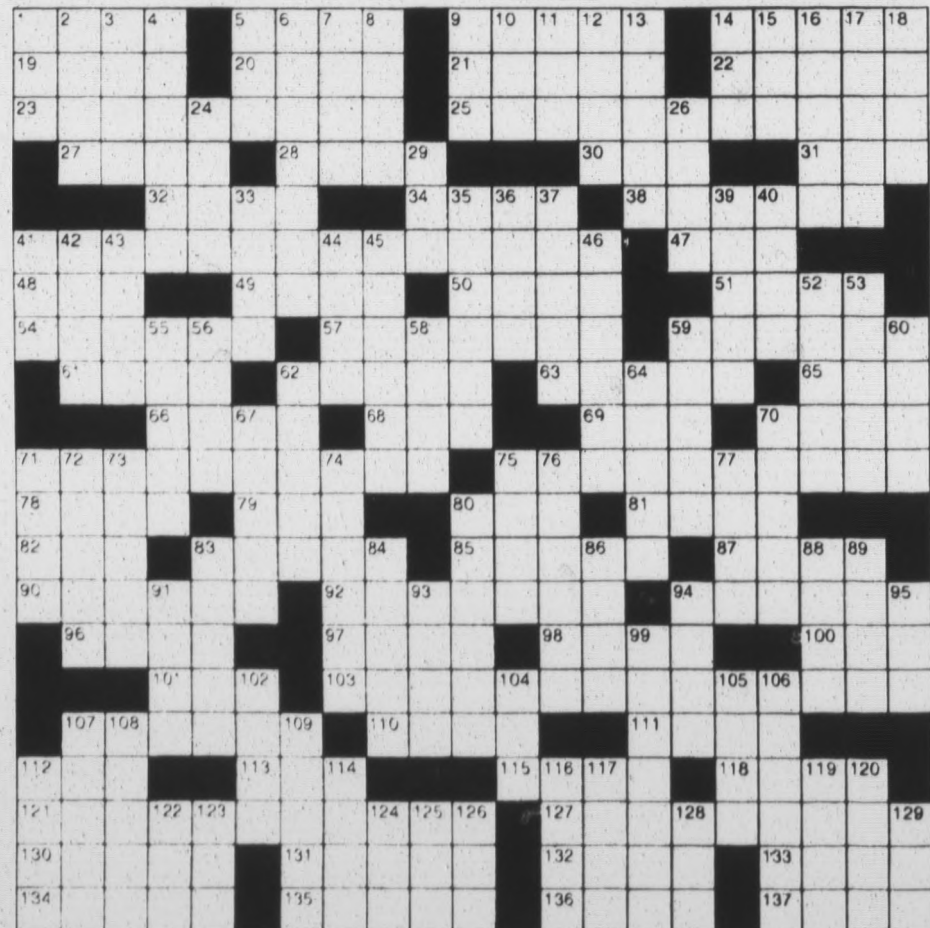
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People & Trends



**From
the Desk
of Jada**
Parenting Tips

Know when to take your baby to a doctor

(FeatureSource) — Your baby has a temperature of 101 degrees. Do you wait to see if it subsides? Do you speed to the hospital right away? How can you avoid being either an overprotective parent or a neglectful caretaker?

"Many people are afraid of being labeled an incompetent parent," says Vicki Lansky, author of *Practical Parenting Tips*.

"But you can't run off to the emergency room every time your child sneezes," Lansky says. "Nor can you ignore warning signs that something serious may be happening."

Until you become an experienced parent, you need some guidelines.

Practical Parenting Tips has sold 700,000 copies. From her book, Lansky offers some tips on when your baby's condition is too severe to be ignored. She recommends that you take your child to the doctor, or call a nurse hotline, under the following conditions:

- Your child's rectal temperature is 101 degrees or greater.
- An illness new to your baby afflicts him. This is true even for his first cold.
- Your child has diarrhea.
- Your child has constipation that lasts for several days.
- You notice blood-tinged urine or feces coming out of your child.
- There are significant changes in your child's skin color, breathing, behavior or activity.
- Your child is feeding poorly. This can take the form of the baby stopping his usual vigorous sucking during feeding.
- Your child has a relentless or unusual cry. Pay attention if the cry is hoarse or husky.
- Your child is listless, especially if she is usually active or alert. Watch out for unusual drowsiness that lasts a long time.
- Convulsions, fits or spells are bothering your child. Stiffening or uncontrollable twitching needs to be investigated.
- Your child projectile vomits, or his vomit is green.
- Your child has redness around, or discharge from, her eyes.
- Fluid is draining from your child's ears. Your child may pull at his ear or constantly turn his head. He may even cry when coughing.
- An unfamiliar, serious-looking rash breaks out on your child.
- Your child suffers an injury in which the pain doesn't cease after 15 minutes.
- Your child has an adverse reaction to an immunization. Symptoms of a bad reaction include a fever, a rash, swelling at the injection site or relentless crying.

If any of these conditions exist, it's time for you to seek medical assistance. Don't worry. No one will think you're overreacting.



2003 Radio One Women's Expo



Myra Jaye, of "The Tom Joyner Morning Show."



Vice President of Promotions for Def Jam Records, Marthe Reynolds.



Health and fitness guru, Donna Richardson (left) and Recorder President and General Manager, Carolene Mays.

The "2003 Radio One Women's Expo" was held last weekend at the Indianapolis Convention Center. During the two-day event, participants had the opportunity to attend a variety of seminars including a discussion between representatives from the print media and recording industries during the "Women in the Entertainment Media" seminar. There were also book signings, a variety of vendors, and live performances from artists of different musical genres. Attendees were able to check out the latest fashions from local designers during the Fashion and Bridal Shows as well (Photos/R. Foster)



Gloria Jakes was one of many vendors during the Expo.



Richardson (center) takes time out to pose with attendees of the "2003 Radio One Women's Expo."



Models displayed the latest fashions from Indianapolis based Honie Designs (above) as well as bridal apparel from the collection of local designer Cc. Elaine (below).



Thinking about getting a dog?

Consider adult purebred

(NAPSI) — Thinking about getting a dog? Keep in mind that while new puppies are cute and cuddly, they require an extraordinary amount of care and attention as they acclimate to new surroundings. That's why the ideal canine companion for many dog lovers may be an older dog.

Prospective dog owners looking for older dogs typically visit animal shelters. Shelters can be great places to find a pet, but many people do not know that they can "rescue" a dog, while still enjoying the many benefits of owning a purebred. The benefits include the ability to choose the desired appearance, disposition, size and instincts - knowing the dog will possess those defined characteristics.

The American Kennel Club's Web site, www.akc.org, can be a great place to begin the search for a purebred pet. All national breed clubs, which are members



of the AKC, offer contact information and can put you in touch with rescue groups in your area.

The volunteers who run these rescue groups spend countless hours taking in stray, abandoned, relinquished and/or impounded purebreds because they care deeply about their breed.

As experts in matters concerning their breed - including the breed's strengths and

weaknesses, health issues, best training methods, grooming how-to's, and temperament - they are well equipped not only to provide temporary "foster care" but also to assess which new home will ensure the best match between dog and owner.

Experts at the AKC urge you to ask yourself if you want a lap dog or one that can accompany you on jogs in the park. Do you have time to care for a dog with a full bushy coat or prefer one with a coat that is short and smooth? Do you have a fenced in backyard or will you be able to provide your dog with appropriate exercise to keep it healthy and fit? The more you know, the happier you and your new pet will be.

If you are interested in giving a rescued purebred dog a second chance for a safe and happy life, visit www.akc.org to find an AKC breed club for more information about purebred rescue.

Noble County student has

close ties to president of Chad

KENDALLVILLE, Ind. (AP) — Among East Noble High School's 1,200 students in rural northeast Indiana is a possible future leader in the African nation of Chad.

Amir Izadine, 16, is the cousin of Chad's president, Idriss Deby; more exactly, President Deby is the son of Amir's great-uncle.

Amir's Muslim family is part of the ruling ethnic group in Chad.

When Amir arrived in Kendallville in late 2001, he and his three younger siblings knew almost no English; they spoke French, Arabic and a tribal language, Zakhawa. Now Amir understands English but is not yet fluent.

"I came for studying," Amir said. "My country, it has not the technology like the U.S. We don't have computers at school. My dad came here because he found a better job."

In Chad, Amir's father sold cars. Their family of six still owns a seven-bedroom house in Chad.

Amir has about 300 relatives in New York City, Fort Wayne and Kendallville. A "family member" includes everyone from Chad's ruling ethnic group, Zakhawa.

"All 300 people in the United States, we know each other together and we help each other," he said.

When one of Amir's cousins living in the United States was in a car accident this winter, the family worked together and collected \$14,000 to help pay his bills.

Amir's extended Chadian family came into power in 1990 after Deby led an overthrow of then-President Hissene Habre.

"We are brave people," Amir said. "We are famous in Africa. We fought and the previous president ran away, and we killed his army."

Amir's father, who was in the army at that time, was shot in the hand.

The nation in the heart of northern Africa is ruled under an Islamic law called Sharia, based on "an eye for an eye."

"If you steal something more than 10 dinars, you get your hand cut off in public," Amir said. "If you steal something less than 10 dinars, you pay it back."

Alcohol use and cigarette smoking are prohibited, and dating is virtually nonexistent.

"If you have a girlfriend or a boyfriend, no one can know," Amir said. "You're not allowed to have a girlfriend."

"If you want any girl, you have to come and ask the father for the girl. You have to come with your family. They have to know who you are, if you are brave," he said.

Muslim men in Chad can have up to four wives. (Deby has three wives and 12 children.)

For several decades, the United States has given Chad aid. According to a CIA Web site, 85 percent of its people are subsistence farmers. A consortium of American companies is helping Chad use its oil resources to build its economy. The American companies are investing \$3.7 billion to develop oil reserves estimated at 1 billion barrels in southern Chad.

Amir appreciates the American aid.

"We like American people," he said. "They try to help us. There's American troops in Chad. They have many materials; they help us get oil and the petroleum. They build new

buildings and bridges."

Even though Amir lives thousands of miles away from his homeland, he believes he is helping his struggling nation.

"We live here, but we help Chad because we send money to build roads," he said. "We talk to the companies' leaders in America to help us."

Living a Muslim life in Kendallville can be difficult.

"A lot of people are Muslim in America today," Amir said. "It's hard, but we have a mosque (in Fort Wayne) we go to every Friday."

After college, Amir will return to his homeland and probably get married.

"I want to work for the president," he said.

Facts about Chad

- **Population:** 8,997,237 (July 2002 estimate).
- **Size:** More than three times the size of California.
- **Religion:** Most Chadians in the north are Muslim and most in the south are Christian. Some are animist.
- **Ethnic groups:** Chad has over 200 ethnic groups.
- **Languages:** French and Arabic are the official languages.
- **History:** Chad was part of France's African holdings until 1960. It has endured three decades of ethnic warfare and invasions by Libya before a semblance of peace was restored in 1990.
- **Rebellion:** In 1998, a rebellion broke out in northern Chad and continued to escalate throughout 2000. A peace agreement, signed in January 2002 between the government and the rebels, provides for the demobilization of the rebels and their reintegration into the political system.

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BLACKONOMICS

The correct psychological moment

By JAMES CLINGMAN



Professor John Sibley Butler notes in his excellent book, *Entrepreneurship and Self-Help among Black Americans*,

W.E.B. DuBois' comments about Booker T. Washington's economic program.

DuBois said Washington's "... program emerged at the correct psychological moment; the nation was ashamed of giving so much sentiment to Afro Americans and was turning to the task of making money." Of course, we know Booker T. was making valiant attempts to get Black people to take the economic path to freedom. We can see several "then and now" similarities as we take a look at what is happening in this country vis-a-vis the all-out assaults on affirmative action and the very real prospect of a war with Iraq.

Just as the country was turning its attention to money (or should I say, back to money?) during the latter part of the 19th century, so it was and continues to be the case in the waning years of the 20th century and now into the 21st. The country has gone stark-raving mad over making money - and stealing quite a bit of it as well - and we stand on the brink of a war that brings back memories of other wars that started under false pretenses and ended up being all about the almighty dollar.

While I will not go into the specific history of those wars nor the one we are about to enter, suffice it to say that this one is also about money. This is not so much about "owning" the second-largest oil reserves on the planet, as much as it is about "controlling" those reserves. Do some research on the oil industry and the dollar, the standard of purchase for oil, and you will see the real deal.

But let's get back to the correct psychological moment. Marcus Garvey said we should know when to strike our enemy. He said the best time to strike is when he is busy doing some evil to someone else; that's when he is at his weakest against us. Malcolm X said, "... We have made advancement in this country only when this country was under pressure from forces above and beyond its control."

Do those statements sound germane today? They sure do to me, especially since I saw Jerry Falwell on television saying that now we are facing a war, this country must show all of its citizens,

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Big Fella's Restaurant returns to 34th and College

By NICOLE C. COOPER
Recorder Correspondent

Last Sunday marked the grand re-opening of Big Fella's Restaurant. Big Fella's located at 3469 N. College Ave. originally opened its door to the community in 1974 under the ownership of Dr. Gene McFadden. Now some 29 years later, Dr. Gene McFadden and investors, Rodney Bynum and Will Pace are restoring a community heirloom to its original majestic presence.

"Our initial intent was to perform some maintenance on the building and lease it out," said Pace. "The more restoration we did, the better the place started to look," Pace continued. "The idea to re-open Big Fella's came after Rodney Bynum approached Dr. McFadden and myself to consider putting something in the building ourselves."

Dr. McFadden, Bynum and Pace are partners in the National Franchise Developers LLC, which owns the Popeye's franchise on the corner of 38th and Keystone.

Pace says, "With the excitement of the phenomenal success of Popeye's we were enthused about doing other things in the restaurant business. So we decided to re-open Big Fella's and sell a few hamburgers and some fish."

"During the next nine months as the physical restoration of the building continued, the concept for Big Fella's evolved beyond burgers and fish to a fine and casual dining restaurant," remarks Pace.

Monique Manning-Jones, director of public relations, marketing and communications created the corporate logo and worked with Cille Hightower and Scott Whiteman of Tower LLC, in creating Big Fella's décor. The tables are covered in white linen cloths; silverware is rolled in-



Dr. Gene McFadden (left) founder and owner of Big Fella's Restaurant, and executive chef Steve LaNear are shown with a gourmet cake during the recent "Great Tasting Affair," or re-opening of Big Fella's. (Photo/C. Guynn)

side hunter green linen napkins while miniature brass table lamps adorn each table. Vintage Italian artwork graces the sidewalls while Greek inspired motif columns adorn the entrance to the fine dining area. The far exterior wall is decorated in a plush wine colored covering that perfectly complements the ebony colored baby grand piano that sits on its elevated perch.

Andre McEachin, director of operations for National Franchise Developers Inc. says, "The goal of Big Fella's is to give the community a respectable place to eat, where they can get quality food, with consistently good service."

Pace adds, "We want people to leave Big Fella's with a desire to

hurry and get back because of how they felt when they were here."

As a reintroduction of Big Fella's Restaurant to the community, Big Fella's hosted the "Great Tasting Affair" on March 15. This event drew a crowd of community residents, city politicians, businessmen and women who joined Big Fella's owner and investors in an evening of entertainment and food sampling.

McEachin and Pace both commented, "That beyond the excitement of re-opening such a historic community landmark is that Big Fella's is providing employment to over 50 people. With 95

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ON THE BUSINESS SCENE



Joyce Hise (left), senior loan officer at Beacon Financial Services, Inc., consults with a lady last week during the annual job fair at Forest Manor Multi-Service Center. A wide variety of employers attended the event, offering on-site interviews as well as resume assistance. (Photo/C. Guynn)

Alvies in a role not traditionally for women

By NICOLE C. COOPER
Recorder Correspondent

In January, after 50 years of operations, Visteon Corp. (formerly Ford Motor) promoted the first African-American woman to the position of superintendent of the power steering pump division at its Indianapolis Steering Systems Plant.

Sandra L. Alvies, who has worked for Visteon of 17 years admits, "I had been so busy and wrapped up in my work to even realize that my promotion was a historic breakthrough. Then one day while driving, it hit me that one day I could end up in the

history books."

Alvies is the fifth of 10 children born to Giles and Joann Alvies. Alvies recalled, "I attended Crispus Attucks High School and worked an after school desk job. It was then I realized that working in an office was not for me."

Alvies further commented, "I also had the opportunity to work for Shane Diamond Co., the owner taught me about diamonds and gemstones. Mr. Shane advised me to always strive to be the best."

Alvies' experience working with the diamonds and gemstones fostered her interest in the manufacturing industry. "I went to (Arsenal) Tech adult night school and

took basic electronics," said Alvies. She continued, "This was at a time when women weren't heavily involved in technical trades, so I was the only woman in class. Everyone expected me to quit or fail. But I was determined to excel."

Alvies further her education at Indiana University-Purdue University at Indianapolis (IUPUI), studying blueprint reading and basic machinery. Alvies remarked, "I left IUPUI just shy of graduating. It is my goal to return and complete what I started."

From IUPUI Alvies went on to

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Black Business Profile

Full name of business:

All That Catering and Bartending

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Fax:

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E-mail:

allthatcatering1@aol.com

Year opened:

2000

Owner(s):

Gwendolyn Wade (founder) and Phyllis Taylor (partner)

Number of paid employees:

5

Products/Services:

On-site catering at parties, wedding receptions and other occasions (including those at homes), cooking for various events. Breakfast and lunch are served daily at the restaurant.

Significant business advances/achievements:

I started this business in my home doing really small office parties, now I can offer a 300 person wedding reception at an affordable cost. People can now have nice weddings without breaking their pocketbooks. We get to do catering for many functions held at places such as Marian College. These events give us an opportunity to grow and meet new people.

Why did you start the business and how has it grown?

My daughter was getting married, and we couldn't find an affordable way to get catering (some places were charging as much as \$10,000.)

What are some of the obstacles you faced and how did you overcome them?

One of the most difficult aspects of being an entrepreneur was finding grant dollars to keep this business in operation. I have applied for government, foundation and private grants, but have been denied because I am either too small or too new. But with the Lord's help, I have been able to keep All that Catering functioning with funds directly out of my own pocket.

Who does your business best serve and why?

The old RCA building, the place where my establishment is currently located, contains many businesses. People from computer stores, accounting enterprises and other places love to come here for lunch. The type people I best serve are everybody, but more specifically, those who work in this building. We are also good to those who have personal requests. I love to see customers who give recommendations as to what we should serve. If someone comes in and asks for meat loaf or tacos, then they will see that on our menu the very next day. You can tell me what you want, and as long as it's not steak tartar, I can make it for you.

How has your experience helped to meet the needs of your clients?

I have been in the shoes of customers before. I've been on the other side of the cash register before, so I know what it feels like to want a nice wedding, knowing full well I must tell myself "we can't afford that." That's why we work so hard to provide affordable catering so that families can still have nice receptions at prices they can live with.

Where did you get the name of your company and does it have any significant meaning?

My daughter gave it to me; she once said her mother's "all that!"

If you would like to be featured in the Recorder's Black Business Profile, call 924-5143.



Gwendolyn Wade (right) serves breakfast to Leon Gray. Gray is one of Wade's regular customers at "All That Catering and Bartending," located inside the old RCA building. (Photo/J. Hurst)



Sandra L. Alvies

HONORING EXCELLENCE...IN LIFE'S WORK & SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

Center for Leadership Development Annual Dinner

The Center for Leadership Development (CLD) recently held their "2003 Minority Achievers Recognition Awards Dinner" honoring the excellence of minorities in the community.

The mission of CLD is to foster the advancement of minority youth in Central Indiana as fu-

ture professional, business and community leaders by providing experiences that encourage personal development and educational attainment.

The award recipients have a strong work ethic, dynamic leadership, dedication and a commitment to educational and academic achievement.



Dr. Edward Ross (middle), cardiologist for Clarian Health Partners received the Lifetime Achievement Award presented by William Mays, (right) President of Mays Chemical Company and David Hedriana, (left) CLD alumnus and sophomore at Brebeuf Jesuit Preparatory School.



Alpha Blackburn, (right) Chairman and CEO of Blackburn Architects, Inc. and Sarah Oldham, (left) CLD alumnus and senior at North Central High School presented Carolyn M. Coleman, (middle) Deputy Mayor for Neighborhoods City of Indianapolis with the Madame C. J. Walker Award for Outstanding Woman of the Year.

TAX TIP

Gain on sale of home exclusion extended to home office space

By WILLIAM MCKINNEY
Kemper CPA Group

With today's technology, more and more people find it not only convenient but also practical to work at home. However, in the past, taking a home office deduction on a tax return created a problem when the entrepreneur decided to sell his or her home.

Prior to 2002, the gain on the office portion of the home was not eligible for the home sale gain exclusion unless the office space was used by the taxpayer as a residence for two out of the five years prior to sale.

The IRS recently eased up on taxpayers who have claimed home office deductions. New rules state that the gain on the office portion of the home qualifies for the exclusion, too. The taxpayer may exclude up to \$500,000 (\$250,000 for singles) of gain on

the sale of the home even though the home office portion does not meet the "two-out-of-five-year" requirement.

As with every rule, though, there are exceptions. Any depreciation on the home taken after May 6, 1997, must be recaptured and taxed at a maximum rate of 25 percent.

Further, the home office may not be in a building separate from the home. For example, an unattached garage or guesthouse converted into a home office will not satisfy the requirements for exclusion. This IRS relief is completely retroactive - it applies to all open tax years. Therefore, if you paid tax on the sale of your home because of prior home office deductions, you may be entitled to a refund. If you think you may qualify for this new tax relief, please contact your tax professional.



The Accomplished Achievement Award was accepted by Marya Overby, (middle) on the behalf of her father, Sam H. Jones retired President and CEO of the Indianapolis Urban League. Brent Lyle, (left) CLD alumnus and junior at Arsenal Technical High School and Stephen A. Stitle, (right) Chairman, President and CEO of National City Bank of Indiana and Chairman of the CLD Board of Directors, presented the award. (Photos/J. Hurst)

Achievement in Arts/Music/Theatre
Jessica Underwood, Programs Instructor
The Children's Museum of Indianapolis

Achievement in Business
James Pack,
Feeder Division Manager at UPS

Achievement in Education
Dorothy Crenshaw, Director of Telecommunications/
Instructional Media for IPS

Neighborhood and Community Service Award
Dr. Eric Yancy, Pediatrician at
Clarian Health Partners

Achievement in Professions
Sanford Garner, Partner
A2S04 Architecture, LLC

Achievement in Public Service
Carl Drummer, Center Township Trustee
Center Township Trustee Office

Achievement in Entrepreneurship
John Abernathy, CEO
Abernathy Inc. Realtors

Achievement in Financial Services
Roger Lyons, Vice President, Diversity
Irwin Mortgage Corporation

Human Achievement Award
Lakeita Williams, Marketing Manager-Car Sales,
Enterprise Rent A Car

"Lis Daily" Achievement in Mass Media
Anthony Calhoun, Sports Anchor/Reporter
WISH-TV
Denise Herd, Account Supervisor
Bandy Carroll/Hellige Advertising

Achievement in Science and Technical Disciplines
Ray Anderson, Manufacturing
Manager of Operations
DaimlerChrysler Corporation-Indianapolis Foundry

"Up and Coming" Award
Jennett Hill, Associate Attorney
Baker and Daniels
Amadou Yattassaye, Systems Auditor
American United Life Insurance Company

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Time Warner Cable will become Bright House Networks

Bright House Networks will be the new name of Time Warner Cable of Indianapolis effective April 1. Buz Nesbit, president of the company, announced the change. Nesbit, who continues in the same role that he held when the company was known as Time Warner Cable, explained that the name change is the final step in the transfer of day-to-day management of the company to Advantage/Newhouse Partnership, a privately held company which is headquartered in Syracuse, N.Y.

"In keeping with our customer service focus, we set out to find a memorable name that would clearly communicate the benefits consumers will enjoy from our services," said Nesbit,

who has over 22 years of cable leadership experience.

Special speaker on minority entrepreneurs

The Columbus Human Rights Commission invites the public to hear Steven Rogers give the keynote address on "The Importance of Minority Entrepreneurs to America" on Thursday, April 3, at 6 p.m. in the Crystal Ballroom at the Holiday Inn Columbus. Rogers is professor of finance and management, Kellogg Graduate School of Management, Northwestern University. The deadline for purchasing tickets is March 24 at 5 p.m. Tickets can be purchased by sending a check for \$15 per person to the Human Rights Commission, City Hall, 123 Washington St., Columbus, IN 47201, or tickets can be purchased in person at the commission office. For information, call (812) 376-2532.

NABA



The Indianapolis Chapter of the National Association of Black Accountants (NABA) recently presented "An Evening of Jazz" in support of local scholarships. Pictured above is the scholarship committee.



Accountant Toni Williamson (above) was the emcee for the evening, while jazz band, "Rob White and Company," served as featured musical guests.



Rob White plays a hot saxophone as lead guitar player James Wasteing backs him up during this jazz piece. Other band members (not pictured) are Michael Scott on drums, Frank Maxwell on bass, and Keever Wyatt on keyboard.



Melissa Whitehorn brought her comedic routine to the floor much to the delight of the attendees. (Photos/J. Hurst)

ALVIES

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become a quality control supervisor at RCA, where she worked until she quit to raise her two daughters. Once her daughters were school-aged Alvies returned to the workforce, working for Herco Manufacturing where she worked with engineers in the prototype division. When her daughters Monica and Lisa were teenagers, she again returned home to be there for them.

When Alvies decided to return to work it was in a supervisory position at RCA. When RCA began laying off its workforce, Alvies had already lined up a job with Capitol Records in Illinois. Divine intervention landed her a supervisor position with Visteon (then Ford Motor Co.). And she has been with Visteon since.

"What amazes me is that other women don't get into this field.

Since manufacturing is considered a non-traditional woman's field, there aren't a lot of women working in the industry. It is however, an interesting, rewarding and good paying career. It's just a shame that in 2003 there are so still few women in the field," said Alvies.

Allies tells young people she speaks with to, "enjoy what they are doing and to think about careers that traditionally may not be thought of as women oriented."

Alvies keeps her history making moment in perspective, noting she has so much more yet to do. "I am a true believer in our history and as I mature and change I always want to be seen as focused on and enjoying life and as a positive person in the community."

Throwback jerseys hottest urban fashion items

By MONICA LEWIS
Special to the NNPA
From the Philadelphia Tribune

PHILADELPHIA (NNPA) — Some of the biggest stars in sports, music and entertainment know them to call for a classic sports jersey for their collection, awards or video show.

They connect with Reuben Harley, the West Philadelphia native who has made throwback jerseys the hottest urban clothing item for everyone from Sean "P. Diddy" Combs to the high school kid next door.

"We had the content and the history of sports, but Reuben took it and made the general public aware of it. He believed in what we did and now the rest of the world wants to see it," said Peter Capolino, president of Mitchell & Ness, a wholesaler distributor that has benefited from Harley's efforts.

Last year, Mitchell & Ness, which began as a mom and pop company, grossed \$25 million, nearly five times 2001's earnings, and Capolino said it could not have been done without Harley's knack for drawing a clientele that reads like the Who's Who of the sports and entertainment worlds. Harley not only pitches jerseys to big shots, he's also become somewhat of a fashion advisor, sitting in on video sets, magazine shoots or standing backstage at awards shows, suiting up performers in the latest old-school athletic look.

"Reuben has very good instincts and I think he's a trusted friend of a lot of entertainers," said Capolino, 58. He can easily spout off names of the biggest hip-hop and R&B stars around thanks to his protégé. "They count on him to look good."

While Capolino is quick to brag on Harley's accomplishments, Harley is much more subdued, almost oblivious to his meteoric rise to success. He even downplays his own celebrity status, blushing at the sight of a "Vibe" magazine ad in which he is prominently featured. That's not surprising since, a few short years ago, Harley was pushing water ice carts and selling food at local hair salons. Today, he's driving a 2003 custom-made Cadillac Escalade with \$16,000 rims and having a house built in Delaware.

"My whole life, I always hustled. That's who I am and who I represent," said Harley, a 1992 graduate of West Philadelphia High School. "When I come like that to the millionaires, they accept me more. I'm genuine to them."

Harley has become such a fixture on the entertainment scene that, on any given weekend, he's invited to spend quality time at the homes of the rich and famous. When he's not a guest in Donovan McNabb's luxury box at a Philadelphia Eagles game, he's rolling with rapper Fabolous during the NBA All-Star Weekend or jetting off to the Super Bowl, American



Former NBA great Connie Hawkins shows off his new, old jersey.

Music or Grammy award shows.

Just how did Harley become the man when it comes to throwback jerseys? An avid sports fan, Harley began frequenting Mitchell & Ness about 10 years ago, stopping in to buy authentic Negro Leagues hats. After a while, he developed a fondness for the throwback jerseys, which cost between \$200 and \$400. Harley would wait on tables and use tip money to pay on jerseys he placed on layaway. In 1999, Harley challenged Capolino, saying he could make Mitchell & Ness and its stock of throwback jerseys famous.

"He said nobody knows about you, but I'll make your clothing the hottest urban fashion in America," Capolino said, vividly remembering the conversation in which Harley requested the expensive SUV he now drives, if he came through on his promise.

"I said he was out of his mind," Capolino said. "It started very slowly with just a few NBA players and entertainers. Now, everyone has his number. They call him all the time. He can't get any sleep."

But Harley doesn't mind the grind. He enjoys being the being the front man for throwbacks, of which old-school basketball and Major League Baseball jerseys are most popular. Football and hockey jerseys are quickly catching on, according to Capolino.

In order to stay abreast of the demand, Harley continues to do what he did initially to get throwback jerseys in the spotlight, networking with celebrities at parties and record premieres. He admits that the jerseys may be pricey for non-celebrities, but if you save up like he did, it's worth it.

"When you come up in the inner-city, what do you identify with? Being a doctor is a great thing to be, but as a kid, you looked up to Dr. J," Harley said, remembering when he couldn't afford a Dr. J jersey, so he settled for a 76ers T-shirt.

"Now, I can purchase a Dr. J jersey," Harley said. "Throwbacks spark childhood imaginations and let you wear what your heroes wore. Right now, I'm living a dream."

MOMENT

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especially Black Americans, that they are important to this country. Do you see a pattern here? Good. It's been the same for hundreds of years, folks.

I have no idea where this latest fiasco—this geopolitical comedy of errors, this web of falsehoods, this Woodrow Wilson-like grab for world power, this buffoonish, laughable, but tragic scenario—will end. But I am very quick to learn from the past, especially when it comes to what Black folks should be doing to strengthen our economic position, you know, like Garvey and Malcolm admonished us.

I can see that this, as W.E.B. said, is the correct psychological moment for us to act on our behalf and take advantage of Falyell's plea that we come together and sing "Kumbaya"—now that we are facing war. This is the correct psychological moment for Black folks to assess our situation and make a determination on how to fix it or at least improve it.

History proves that we are only valued and valuable when the country is being threatened. What have we gotten for being some of the first in line to get shot at by the enemy? Well, old Crispus Attucks got a few schools named after him. Runaway slaves who fought for the Union army got Jim Crow, second-class citizenship and the Klan to keep them in check. World War I Black soldiers, even though they breathed the same toxic gas as some of the white soldiers, were not allowed the same medical treatment.

World War II Blacks got to ride in the back of the train while the German prisoners they captured were given much more comfortable seats. Korean and Vietnam Black warriors got duped into believing they were fighting a just war, one they could and would eventually win, and came home brainwashed or drugged-out. Gulf War Blacks were doused with Agent Orange and returned to a cadre of white police officers who were hell-bent on killing Black men.

Black leadership should not waste its time discussing the war. After all, the "HNICS," the head Blacks, Powell and Rice, are leading the war chant. Real Black leadership will use this time to pull our people together around an economic agenda and, whether we have a war or not, we may be able to catch them while they are looking the other way and take full advantage of this correct psychological moment.

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BIG FELLA'S

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percent of the staff skilled in the respective culinary and hospitality trades."

Steve Johnson, Big Fella's food production manager and chef de chef said, "Big Fella's will have a fresh fish market carrying fish varieties from catfish to blue crab to perch, whiting and many others." Johnson continued, "Patrons will have the option to buy the fish to take home to cook or can have us cook it for them here."

Johnson who has come full circle in his culinary career said, "I credit Dr. McFadden with giving me my first cooking job as a part of the original Big Fella's culinary team." He has also worked as a private chef for a number of business luminaries including Dr. McFadden.

McEachin and Johnson both believe that the current Big Fella's concept is one ripe for developing into a national, multi-chain operation. McEachin noted, "This Big Fella's concept can work anywhere in the country." And Pace shares their sentiment.

As the weather warms up, Big Fella's patrons will be able to eat outdoors on the patio and enjoy live jazz music from both local and national talent. Already scheduled in April is in the incomparable Regina Bell.

The return of Big Fella's Restaurant marks a return to fine and casual dining at 34th and College for those looking for good food, good music in an environment that puts your needs and service first and foremost.

Big Fella's is located at 3469 N. College Ave. and is open Monday - Thursday 10 a.m. - midnight, Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. - 4 a.m. and Sundays from 10 a.m. - midnight.

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IN LOVING MEMORY OF



Verona Patton
March 24, 1985



Robin Bemby
March 24, 1985

You left us a beautiful memory.
But a sorrow too great to be told.
To us who loved you and lost you
Your memory will never grow old
The Family

IN LOVING MEMORY OF



J. RITTY JONES

April 1946 -
March 17, 1996.
It broke our hearts
to lose him,
But he did not go alone.
For a part of us went
with him.
The day you called
him home.
Our hearts ache with
loneliness
Our eyes shed many
tears.
And, God, you know
how much we miss him.
At the close of seven
sad years.
Sadly missed by:
Mother:
Louvania Banks

IN LOVING MEMORY OF



CHARLES
'Snookie'
HENDRICKS

who passed
March 17, 1997.
A million times we
will miss you,
A million times we
will cry.
If love alone could
have saved you
You would have
never died;
In life we loved
you dearly,
In death we love
you still.
In our hearts you
hold a place
No other one can fill;
The golden gates
stood open,
God saw you
need rest,
God's garden must
be beautiful
He always picks
the best.
Sadly missed by:
Sharon & Shawn
Hendricks and Family

ADOPTION

J14

Hinkle & Gibbs, Atty.
STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF MARION ss:
IN THE MARION COUNTY
SUPERIOR COURT

In the Matter of the Adoption of
Robert William Cook,
Minor

**NOTICE TO DAVID JAMES
COOK, FATHER**
CAUSE NO.
49D08-0301-AD-90

David James Cook, the father of
Robert William Cook, is notified
that a Petition for Adoption of the
child was filed in the office of the
Clerk of the Marion Superior Court,
Probate Division, City-County
Building, Room 1700, 200 East
Washington Street, Indianapolis, IN
46204.

If David James Cook seeks to
contest the adoption of the child, he
must file a motion to contest the
adoption in accordance with 31-19-
10-1 in the above named court, or a
paternity action under IC 31-14 not
later than thirty (30) days (4/28/03)
after the date of service of this notice.

If David James Cook does not file
a motion to contest the adoption
within thirty (30) days after service
of this notice, the above-named
court will hear and determine the
petition for adoption. His consent
will be irrevocably implied and he
will lose his right to contest the
adoption, will lose his right to
contest either the adoption or the
validity of his implied consent to the
adoption.

Nothing Wendi Renee Beatley or
anyone else says to David James
Cook relieves David James Cook
of his obligations under this notice.
Doris Anne Sadler, Clerk

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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By The Trustees of Indiana University
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For **CANCER RESEARCH INSTITUTE — RENOVATION OF ROOMS 005, 007, AND 009**
Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis
Indianapolis, Indiana
IU 20027390

At Office of the Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer
Indiana University
700 North Walnut Grove
Bloomington, IN 47405

Until **2:00 p.m. (Local Time), 8 April 2003.**

2 A Unified Bid proposal is requested for all work including General Construction, Mechanical Construction and Electrical Construction.

3 Bid envelopes should be addressed and noted as follows:

MR. J.T. CLAPACS
Office of the Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer
700 North Walnut Grove
Bloomington, IN 47405

Bid for Work on Cancer Research Institute — Renovation of Rooms 005, 007, and 009, IU 20027390, 8 April 2003.

4 Bids received will then be publicly opened and read aloud. Bids received after that time will be returned unopened.

5 All Bid proposals shall be in full accord with the Bidding Documents, which are on file with the Owner and may be examined by prospective Bidders at the following locations:

BSA LIFESTRUCTURES McGRAW-HILL CONSTRUCTION
9365 Counselors Row, Suite 300 6666 E. 75th St.
Indpls., IN 46240 Indpls., IN 46250

REED CONSTRUCTION DATA CONSTRUCTION LEAGUE
5804 W. 74th St.
Indpls., IN 46278 609 E. Washington St., 9th Floor
Indpls., IN 46204

INDIANA UNIVERSITY
700 N. Walnut Grove
Bloomington, IN 47405

6 Bidders for the Unified Contract may obtain up to three (3) complete sets of Bidding Documents from the office of BSA Design, upon receipt of a deposit of \$50.00 for each complete set of Bidding Documents requested. Bidders shall pay all shipping costs. Deposit will not be refunded in full upon return of the Bidding Documents in good condition within fourteen (14) days after Bid opening.

7 Additional Bidding Documents may be purchased from the Architect/Engineer at the non-refundable rate outlined below upon written request. Request for documents to be purchased must contain precise instructions as to actual Drawing and Project Manual sheets desired. All such purchased documents will be printed on an individual basis, and orders will be filled within twenty-four (24) hours of receipt of written request. Addenda will be issued automatically to all known recipients of complete sets of bidding Documents only. All written requests for prints or specifications must contain specific printing instructions (i.e., sheet numbers, page, and section numbers.)

Project Manual	\$ 25.00
Single sheets of Project Manual	\$ 25 each
Single sheets of Drawings	\$ 2.00 each
Complete Set of Drawings	\$ 25.00

8 Bid Security in the amount of five percent (5%) of the Bid Proposal must accompany each Bid Proposal in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders.

9 The Owner reserves the right to accept or reject any Bid and to waive any irregularities in Bidding. Base Bids may be held for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days before awarding Contracts. All Alternate Bids may be held for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days before award and incorporation into Contract by proper change order.

10 Should a successful Bidder withdraw his Bid, or fail to execute a satisfactory Contract within ten (10) days after notice of acceptance of his Bid, the Owner may declare the Bid Security forfeited as liquidated damages, not as penalty.

11 A pre-bid meeting will be held on 25 March 2003 at 9:00 AM at the Cancer Research Institute, Indianapolis, Indiana, to answer questions regarding the Bidding Documents. Contractors shall meet in the main entrance lobby.

The Trustees of Indiana University
By Steven A. Miller, Treasurer

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that sealed Bids will be received by:

The Trustees of Indiana University
Bloomington, Indiana

For the Indiana University project identified as:

Herron School of Art
Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis
IU 20005046

At Office of the Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer
Indiana University
700 North Walnut Grove
Bloomington, IN 47405

Until **2:00 p.m. (Local Time) on April 10, 2003.**

Bids received after this time will be returned unopened. All Bids received will then be publicly opened and read aloud.

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J. T. Clapacs
Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer
Indiana University
700 North Walnut Grove
Bloomington, Indiana 47405

BID FOR:

Herron School of Art
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IU 20005046

NAME AND ADDRESS OF BIDDER

BID FOR: GENERAL CONSTRUCTION, MECHANICAL CONSTRUCTION WORK, ELECTRICAL CONSTRUCTION WORK, (Indicate which prime contract the proposal being submitted is for.)

All Bid proposals shall be in full accord with the Bidding Documents, which are on file with the Owner and may be examined by prospective Bidders at the following locations:

BROWNING DAY MULLINS DIERDORF, INC.
334 N. Senate Ave.
Indpls., IN

INDIANA UNIVERSITY — UNIVERSITY ARCHITECT'S OFFICES
700 N. Walnut Grove
Bloomington, IN 47405

CONSTRUCTION LEAGUE OF INDIANAPOLIS
603 East Washington Street, 9th Floor
Indpls., IN

McGRAW-HILL CONSTRUCTION DODGE
6666 E. 75th St., Ste. 199
Indpls., IN 46250

REED CONSTRUCTION
5804 W. 74th St.
Indpls., IN 46278

A complete set of bid documents shall consist of Architectural, Landscape Architectural, Civil, Structural, Mechanical and electrical drawings plus project manual. Partial sets of bidding documents will not be used.

Bidding Documents will be available to prospective Bidders after 10:00 a.m. on March 12, 2003 at the office of Browning Day Mullins Dierdorf, Inc., 334 North Senate Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana. Bidders wishing to have the Bidding Documents sent to their place of business will need to provide Browning Day Mullins Dierdorf with a FedEx or UPS shipping number. Bidding Documents will be issued in electronic form on compact disk (CD) in PDF format. The compact disk will contain the complete set of Bidding Documents in the following format:

Adobe Acrobat PDF file (electronic)
An Adobe Acrobat viewer will be included on the compact disk to allow for viewing and printing. Prospective Bidders will be responsible for printing Bidding Documents at their cost. Failure to print complete sets does not relieve the Contractor of their responsibility to review all aspects of the work for potential impact on the scope of work they are submitting pricing for. All Addenda issued for the project will be issued in the same format as the Bidding Documents.

Bid Security in the amount of five percent (5%) of the Bid Proposal must accompany each Bid Proposal in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders.

The Trustees reserve the right to accept or reject any Bid and to waive any irregularities in Bidding. The Base Bid may be held for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days before awarding Contracts. All Alternate Bids may be held for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days after award and may be incorporated into Contract by proper Construction Change Directive prior to expiration.

A Pre Bid Meeting will be held for all prospective bidders on Thursday, March 20, 2003 at 10:00 a.m. (local time) at the project site located at 735 West New Street on the campus of Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis, Indianapolis, Indiana 46202 (former Law School building).

All work is required to be complete by November 1, 2004.

Should a successful Bidder withdraw his bid, or fail to execute a satisfactory contract within ten (10) days after notice of acceptance of his Bid, the Owner may declare the Bid Security forfeited as liquidated damages, not as a penalty.

The Trustees of Indiana University
By Steven A. Miller, Treasurer

3/14/03 2T

PUBLIC NOTICE

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS

Sealed Bids for the following project(s) on behalf of the Department of Public Works, will be received by the Purchasing Division for the City of Indianapolis: Marion County in Room 1522 City County Building up to 9:30 a.m. (local time) on or before April 3, 2003, between 9:31 - 10:00 a.m.

sealed bids will only be accepted in Room 260, with all bids being opened publicly immediately thereafter. **NO LATE BIDS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER 10:00 A.M. FOR ANY REASON WHATSOEVER.**

ITB-4203 Proj. #BE-01-051, Belmont Ash Monofill 2003. Final Closure. The work consists of, but is not necessarily limited to, the closure of the Ash Monofill using HDPE lines and soil. Plan Charge \$100.00. Construction Estimate \$500,000.00 to \$1,000,000.00.

A Pre-Bid Conference for discussion of the work, the bidding requirements and other important matters will be held on March 25, 2003 at 10:00 A.M. local time 604 North Sherman Drive, Indianapolis, IN in the Meridian Conference Room. For special accommodations needed by handicapped individuals planning to attend, please call 327-4347 or 327-5186 for the hearing impaired at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting.

ITB-4204 Proj. #RS-03-029, Resurfacing with Related Items in Center Township. The work consists of, but is not necessarily limited to, street resurfacing and curb, sidewalk, and ramp replacement. Plan Charge \$50.00. Construction Estimate \$300,000.00 to \$500,000.00.

Bidders must obtain required bidding documents, plans, specifications from the Purchasing Division, Suite 1522, City County Building, 200 E. Washington Street, Indianapolis, IN 46204-3313. The plan charge is non-refundable. Make check payable to the City of Indianapolis. Check, money order or cash accepted.

All bids must be per contract documents and accompanied by a 5% Bid Bond. A 100% Performance Bond/Payment bond will also be required of the successful bidder. The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids. To receive a Current Planholders List, requests are taken by fax at (317) 327-4933. Please include the above ITB or ITB number with a brief description of the job and your fax number, so that we may fax your request back.

NOTE: City Solicitation information is now available on the Purchasing Division's internet site at: indygov.org/purch.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Request for Qualifications to Provide Professional Design and Consulting Services

For the
Purdue University Airport
West Lafayette
(2/27/2003)

I. Introduction

The Trustees of Purdue University are requesting qualified firms to present their qualifications for the services listed below. A Selection Board will review and evaluate all submittals based on the guidelines published in the Federal Aviation Administration AC circular No. 150/5100-14C dated 2/16/94. A subset of firms will be selected for individual interviews. One or more firms will be requested to submit a proposal that will be used to negotiate a blanket agreement under which individual projects will be contracted. The name of the successful firm(s) will be submitted to the Board of Trustees for approval.

II. Project Overview/Scope

It is the Selection Board's intention to identify at least one firm with whom the University can enter into a long term (up to 5 years) agreement to provide engineering and planning services for the Purdue University airport. Engineering and Design services normally will result in a set of contract documents (drawings and specifications) that will be used to construct, replace, or repair various airport components (primarily taxiways, aprons, lighting, etc.).

The University has on its staff Project Management, Professional Engineering and Construction Management resources that will be used on individual projects to work with the selected consulting firm. These resources will be used to supplement and not replace the expertise that is expected to be in the consulting firm.

Construction inspection is to be handled by the consultant's Construction Inspector. The Consultant will be an extension of the University's Construction Department. The consultant is expected to oversee construction activities, answer questions throughout the construction period and make recommendations to the Construction Superintendent for payments to the contractor for work completed in the field.

The Consultant's staff will be responsible for Grant Administration to the FAA.

III. Schedule

Advertisement of this request will be published on March 13 and 20, 2003.

Submittals of qualifications are to be received by the Selection Board by March 20, 2003.

Initial review of submittals will be complete by March 27, 2003.

Interviews will be scheduled after March 3, 2003.

Submission to the Board of Trustees for approval May 9, 2003 (if required).

IV. Budget

there is an annual recurring Airport Improvement Grant budget of approximately \$1,000,000 to make improvements to the Airport infrastructure. It is intended that there will be multiple projects completed that will be funded from this and other sources.

Submission Requirements

Submit one original and two copies of your Qualification Statement. Your submittal is to be sent to:

H. Jay Harris
bharris@purdue.edu
FAX (765) 494-9003
Phone (765) 494-3420
401 South Grant Street
Purdue University
West Lafayette, IN 47907-2024

Any clarifications concerning the content or intent of this request should be submitted to the above individual in writing one week prior to proposal submission date.

3/14/03 2T

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

The Trustees of Purdue University will receive sealed bids for the following projects until 3:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time on Thursday, the 17th day of April 2003 in the Parking Facilities Office, Visitor Information Center, 504 Northwestern Avenue, West Lafayette, IN 47907.

1. West Lafayette Campus - Birch Nanotechnology Center - 2003.

Bids will then be publicly opened and read aloud in the Visitor Information Center Conference Room in the Visitor Information Center, 504 Northwestern Avenue, West Lafayette, IN 47907.

Bids received after such time will be returned unopened. Bids may be withdrawn prior to such time, but no bids shall be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days thereafter. The Principal Subcontractor Questionnaire listing the names of the bidder's principal subcontractors shall be submitted with the bid. The remainder of the Questionnaires and Material Lists shall be submitted prior to 3:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time on Thursday, the 24th day of April 2003, to:

Physical Facilities Construction Department
1653 Freehafer Hall
Purdue University
West Lafayette, IN 47907-1653

Bids shall be for complete construction only, properly executed and submitted on Form 96, accompanied by executed Form 96A (as prescribed by the State Board of Accounts) giving financial data as recent as possible, and a Non-Collusion Affidavit together with other documents as required by the Instructions to Bidders and addressed to The Trustees of Purdue University, clearly marked with the project and the bid opening date.

Each bid must be accompanied by a Contractor's Combination Bid Bond and Bond for Construction in the form included in the specifications made payable to The Trustees of Purdue University in an amount equal to the maximum total of the base bid and any alternate bids, guaranteeing the execution and faithful performance of the contract for the work if awarded.

With exception of Project No's. 8 and 9, wage rates shall be not less than the common construction wage as determined pursuant to IC 5-16-7-1 et seq. as amended.

The Instructions to Bidders contained in the specifications are by this reference made a part hereof, and all bidders shall be deemed advised of the provisions thereof, and of the General Conditions of the contract, specifications, plans and drawings for each project.

Architectural/engineering firms

HDR Architecture, Inc.
1101 King Street, Suite 400
Alexandria, VA 22314-2980
Phone 703-518-8500

Bidding Documents are to be obtained from:

Purdue University Printing Services
(front door on Nimitz off S. Russell Drive)
250 S. Intramural Drive
Purdue University
West Lafayette, Indiana 47907-2032
Phone 765-494-2006 or 495-1629

A \$400.00 deposit will be required for each set of Bidding Documents which will be refunded when returned promptly and in good condition. Checks should be made payable to Purdue University Printing Services and mailed to the above address.

Bidding Documents are on file in the office of:

Vice President for Physical Facilities
1694 Freehafer Hall
Purdue University
West Lafayette, IN 47907-1694
Phone 765-494-7242

The Board of Trustees of The Trustees of Purdue University reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive, to the extent permitted by law, any of the terms, conditions and provisions contained in this Advertisement for Bids or the Instructions to Bidders or any informality, irregularity of omission in any bid, provided that such waiver shall, in the discretion of the Board of Trustees, be to the advantage of The Trustees of Purdue University.

TRUSTEES OF PURDUE UNIVERSITY

Wayne Kjonas,
Vice President for Physical Facilities

3/14/03 3T

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1. West Lafayette Campus - Biochemistry Laboratory Renovation - 2003.
2. West Lafayette Campus - Residence Hall Food Service Consolidation Phase III (Windsor Dining Court Demolition) - 2003.
3. West Lafayette Campus - Shreve Residence Hall Shower Renovation - 2003.
4. West Lafayette Campus - Armory Roof Repair - 2003.
5. West Lafayette Campus - Discovery Hall Site Development Phase I (CDFS Parking Lot) - 2003.
6. West Lafayette Campus - Athletic Maintenance Facility - 2003.
7. West Lafayette Campus - Ticket Office Expansion - 2003.
8. West Lafayette Campus - Young Hall Reroof Sections A and M - 2003.
9. West Lafayette Campus - Animal Holding Facility Phase III - Storm Sewer Extension - 2003.

Bids will then be publicly opened and read aloud in the Visitor Information Center Conference Room in the Visitor Information Center, 504 Northwestern Avenue, West Lafayette, IN 47907.

Bids received after such time will be returned unopened. Bids may be withdrawn prior to such time, but no bids shall be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days thereafter. Bids for Project No's. 1 and 4 may be withdrawn prior to such time, but no bids shall be withdrawn for a period of ninety (90) days thereafter. The Principal Subcontractor Questionnaire listing the names of the bidder's principal subcontractors shall be submitted with the bid. The remainder of the Questionnaires and Material Lists shall be submitted prior to 3:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time on Thursday, the 17th day of April 2003, to:

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With exception of Project No's. 8 and 9, wage rates shall be not less than the common construction wage as determined pursuant to IC 5-16-7-1 et seq. as amended.

The Instructions to Bidders contained in the specifications are by this reference made a part hereof, and all bidders shall be deemed advised of the provisions thereof, and of the General Conditions of the contract, specifications, plans and drawings for each project.

A non-mandatory pre-bid meeting for the Shreve Residence Hall Shower Renovation project is scheduled at 1:00 p.m. (local time) Thursday, March 20, 2003 at the Shreve Residence Hall loading dock, 1275 Third Street, West Lafayette, IN 47906-4228.

A non-mandatory pre-bid meeting for Armory Roof Repair is scheduled at 8:00 a.m. (local time) Thursday, March 27, 2003 at the Armory front entrance, 812 Third Street, West Lafayette, IN 47906-2006.

Architectural/engineering firms for projects are:

Project No. 1 BSA LifeStructures
Suite #300
9365 Counselors Row
Indianapolis, IN 46240-1479
Phone 317-819-7878

Project No. 2 Scholer Corporation, Architects
Wea-Ton, U.S. 231 South
P.O. Box 808
Lafayette, IN 47902-0808
Phone 765-474-1478

Project No's. 3 and 4 DLZ Indiana, LLC
360 Century Building
36 South Pennsylvania Street
Indianapolis, IN 46204-3628
Phone 317-633-4120

Project No. 5 The Schneider Corporation
P.O. Box 5592
Indianapolis, IN 46255-5592
Phone 317-826-7100

Project No's. 6 and 7 HNTB
715 Kirk Drive
Kansas City, MO 64105
Phone 816-472-1201
Fax 816-471-1934

Project No's. 8 and 9 Vice President for Physical Facilities
401 S. Grant Street
Purdue University
West Lafayette, IN 47907-2024
Phone 765-494-7242

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(front door on Nimitz off S. Russell Drive)
250 S. Intramural Drive
Purdue University
West Lafayette, Indiana 47907-2032
Phone 765-494-2006 or 495-1629

To order a set of plans or obtain a bidder's list, please call 765-494-2006. A \$100.00 deposit will be required for each set of Bidding Documents which will be refunded when returned promptly and in good condition. Checks should be made payable to Purdue University Printing Services and mailed to the above address.

Bidding Documents for all projects are on file in the office of:

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Purdue University
West Lafayette, IN 47907-1694
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TRUSTEES OF PURDUE UNIVERSITY

Wayne Kjonas,
Vice President for Physical Facilities

3/14/03 3T

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that The Trustees of Indiana University will receive sealed proposals for furnishing all labor, equipment, tools, materials, and transportation necessary for **Cancer Research Institute — third Floor Renovation**, on the **Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis** campus, in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by Arc Design.

Bids will be received in the office of Mr. J. Terry Clapacs, Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer, Indiana University, 700 North Walnut Grove, Bloomington, Indiana 47405, until **2:00 P.M., local time, on April 3, 2003**, at which time and place all proposals will be opened publicly and read aloud. A walk-through meeting has been scheduled for **10:00 A.M. local time, on March 24, 2003, beginning at the Third Level elevator lobby of the Cancer Research Institute, IUPUI, Indianapolis, Indiana.**

Specifications along with bidding documents may be obtained from **Three-S Reproductions, Inc., 643 Massachusetts Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46204, ph. 317-637-3773**. A refundable deposit of **\$100.00, payable to "Arc Design"**, is required for each set of plans, specifications, or bidding documents. **DEPOSITS WILL NOT BE REFUNDED UNLESS SETS ARE RETURNED IN GOOD CONDITION TO THREE-S REPRODUCTIONS.**

All bid proposals shall be in full accord with the Bidding Documents, which are on file with the Owner and may be examined by prospective Bidders at the following locations:

Arc Design
970 N. Fort Wayne Ave., Ste. C
Indianapolis, IN 46202

Indiana University
University Architect's Office
700 Walnut Grove
Bloomington, IN 47405

Reed Construction Data
5804 West 74th Street
Indianapolis, IN 46278

Bidders are advised that prior to award the low bidder and known principal subcontractors will be required to attend a pre-award conference for the purpose of formulating an Affirmative Action Program relating to Equal Employment Opportunity.

The Trustees reserve the right to waive any informalities and to accept or reject any or all proposals received.

THE TRUSTEES OF INDIANA UNIVERSITY
By: Steven A. Miller - Treasurer

Cancer Research Institute — Third Floor Renovation
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Send resume, a cover letter explaining your interest in the position and how your experience qualifies you and the names and contact information of three references who sufficiently know of your work experience to: **United Way of Central Indiana, HR, 3901 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis, IN 46208, E-mail: davis@uwci.org, Fax: (317) 921-1388. Resume should be received no later than March 31, 2003 EOE**

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The department seeks a practicing teacher, with a minimum of 5 years experience in K-12 education. Candidates must model effective practice and apply pedagogical knowledge to classroom settings. In addition candidates must have a Master's degree in education or some other evidence of effective teaching (e.g. National Board Certification, or regional recognition of their teaching). It is anticipated that this full-time teacher in residence will teach elementary and/or secondary methods courses, as well as meeting other curriculum and departmental needs. Ideally the teacher would have a background in special education and/or mathematics, or curriculum writing and/or consulting experience, although it is not required. The University will negotiate with the candidate's school district to arrange for salary and other benefit packages. If you are interested in your own professional development and the challenge of effecting change in teacher education, we encourage you to apply.

Interested candidates should submit a letter of interest which details how he/she meets the University's needs, a current resume/vita and three professional letters of recommendation, including one from the current principal. Send these materials to: **Dr. Gordon Mendenhall, Search Committee Chair, Department of Teacher Education, University of Indianapolis, 1400 E. Hanna Ave., Indianapolis, IN 46227 or email gmmendenhall@uindy.edu**

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Submitted by the Health Education, Promotion and Training Department of the Marion County Health Department

March is national Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month. Colorectal cancer is cancer that occurs in the colon or rectum. It is the second leading cancer killer and the third most common cancer diagnosed in men and women in the United States (excluding skin cancers). This year, the American Cancer Society estimates that nationally, about 72,600 men and 75,700 women will be diagnosed with colorectal cancer. Unfortunately, colorectal cancer is expected to cause about 27,800 deaths in men and about 28,800 deaths in women in 2002. In Indiana, colorectal cancer caused 6,803 deaths in 1992-1996 (Indiana State Department of Health, 2002). The death rate from colorectal cancer has been going down for the past 20 years. This may be because there are fewer cases, they are found earlier, and treatments have improved.

There are some things you can do to lower your risk of colorectal cancer. It is important to eat plenty of fruits, vegetables, and whole grain foods and to avoid high-fat, low-fiber foods. Some studies suggest that taking a daily multivitamin containing folic acid or folate can lower colorectal cancer risk. Other studies suggest that getting more calcium with supplements or low-fat dairy products can help. Getting enough exercise is important as well. Even small amounts of exercise on a regular basis can be helpful.

While we do not know the exact cause of most colorectal cancer, there are certain known risk factors. A risk factor is something that increases a person's chance of getting a disease. Some risk factors, like smoking, can be controlled. Others, such as a person's

age, can't be changed. Researchers have identified the following risk factors that increase a person's chance of having colorectal cancer:

- Age: About 90% of people found to have colorectal cancer are older than 50
- Personal or family history of colorectal cancer or colorectal polyps
- Personal history of chronic inflammatory bowel disease (ulcerative colitis or Crohn's disease)
- A diet high in fat, mostly from animal sources, without enough fruits and vegetables
- Obesity
- Physical inactivity
- Smoking

Even though the exact causes of colorectal cancer are unknown, there are some steps you can take to reduce your risk. First, you must get screened! Screening allows for early detection, which means early treatment and possibly a cure. It can also find pre-cancerous polyps. Removing these polyps helps prevent some cancers. Screening tests are used to look for disease in people who do not have any symptoms. The American Cancer Society makes the following recommendations on when the tests should be done:

Beginning at age 50, both men and women should follow one of these five screening options:

- **Yearly fecal occult blood test (FOBT)** - The FOBT is used to find small amounts of hidden (occult) blood in the stool that can't normally be seen. A sample of stool is tested for traces of blood. People having this test will receive a kit with instructions that explain how to take a stool sample at home. The kit is then sent to a lab for testing. If this test is positive, you will need to have further tests to pinpoint the exact cause of the bleeding.
- **Flexible sigmoidoscopy every 5 years** - A slender, lighted tube is placed in the rectum. This allows

the doctor to look at the inside of the rectum and part of the colon for cancer or polyps. Because the tube is only about 2 feet long, the doctor is only able to see about half of the colon.

- **Yearly fecal occult blood test plus sigmoidoscopy every 5 years** - The combination of FOBT and flexible sigmoidoscopy is preferred over either of these two tests alone.
- **Double-contrast barium enema every 5 years** - A chalky substance is used to partly fill and open up the colon. Air is then inserted to cause the colon to expand. This allows good x-ray films to be taken.
- **Colonoscopy every 10 years** -

The colonoscopy is a long version of the sigmoidoscopy. It allows the doctor to see the entire colon. If a polyp is found, the doctor may remove it. If anything else looks abnormal, a biopsy might be done. To do this, a small piece of tissue is taken out through the colonoscopy. The tissue is sent to the lab to see if cancer cells are present.

Unfortunately, colorectal cancer can develop with no symptoms at first, but sometimes symptoms do occur. Symptoms might include a change in bowel habits such as diarrhea, constipation, or narrowing of the stool that lasts for more than a few days, a feeling that you need to have a bowel movement that doesn't go away after doing so, bleeding from the rectum or blood in the stool, stomach discomfort, gas pains, or weight loss. Even if you have these symptoms, it does not mean you have cancer. Please talk to your doctor to be sure.

For a free risk assessment, call the American Cancer Society any time between now and April 11, 2003. You may qualify for a free flexible sigmoidoscopy or fecal occult blood test. Please call the American Cancer Society at (317) 347-6670 or 1-800-233-6303.

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FIT FOR LIVING

Transform into a 'new you' for spring

By ANTHONY DAVIS
For The Recorder



OK, when I started writing this article, I was going to focus on running down a list of a million reasons to scare you into working out. I was going to mention things like nearly 30 percent of African-American deaths are due to heart disease. I was hoping that telling you that the top three leading causes of death are related to chronic illnesses that are highly preventable would convince you to lead a more active lifestyle.

I was going to tell you a lot of threatening facts like that, but as I started writing, the sun finally started to shine and the weather gave a forecast for 70 degrees. So, I stopped and thought "Why be so negative?" With spring comes new life, fresh ideas and revived energy, so why not have a more positive focus?

With that in mind, instead of telling you all the negatives, I thought I would try to motivate you with a couple of positive points about wellness and provide you with a few helpful suggestions on starting your program or returning from a lapse from your New Year's Resolutions.

So how can we transform you in to a "new you"? How about we look at three areas:

(1) Beauty, Health & Skin

This is one I don't have to stress as much. I think most women realize the rejuvenating effects of a fresh hair style. I would like to challenge you though. Ask your stylist: what you could do to make your hair more healthy? They should be able to give you a few suggestions.

For healthier skin, you should increase your water intake to at

least 8 - 10 glasses/day. If it's difficult to count glasses then make it easy: Drink a glass of water in the morning, drink a glass to start off every meal, drink a glass of water before you go to bed, and drink whenever your mouth is dry. Also, I've found that there are times when I have headaches or tension, that if I drink a glass or two of water, I soon feel better.

(2) Reform Your Eating Habits

One way to initiate transformation is to change your eating habits. It's not as hard as it seems and it starts in two places, at the grocery store, and in the kitchen. When shopping for groceries try to follow a simple rule of "live food." Meaning choose fresh vegetables, fruits, meats etc. instead of the pre-processed, pre-packaged, canned, powdered space age military rations that are filled with way too many preservatives and high in sodium.

(3) Reform Your Finances

Well, one timely point is related to your finances, specifically taxes. You may have heard that last year the IRS ruled that you may deduct fitness program expenses from your taxes. This is a great benefit. The stipulations are that it must be doctor recommended and does not include costs for food weight management programs.

Well, I hope these few tips will help you in your "new you" transformation. Remember, don't try to do it all overnight, be diligent and patient and you'll eventually see great results.

Dear A.D.,
I haven't worked out in over three years, but I'd like to lose 20 pounds by April so that I can be in my best shape for spring break. What should I do?

Theresa

Have you ever heard the phrase

"Keep it real?" Well, in this column I promise to do just that. Safe weight loss is around 3 to 5 pounds per month. This is one reason why people become discouraged. They aren't fair with themselves. If you haven't been active in over three years, its going to take your body at least 4-6 weeks to get safely adjusted to consistent exercise. If you try to overdo it, you'll risk injuring yourself.

If you try a crash diet, you'll probably lose muscle mass and risk dehydration. My advice would be to be proud of your own self-image and beauty that you have now regardless of your current weight. You should also feel proud about the determination you've set to make a change. Fitness wise, the best you could do is increase your water intake so that you can minimize water retention in the skin.

Also try to cut out all of the excess sweets and empty calories (soda pop) from now until your trip. Start a moderate exercise program of walking at least six days a week, 30 minutes a day. You can also try a very light strength training program that focuses on your larger muscle groups. You won't necessarily gain a lot of mass in that short amount of time, but you'll definitely feel more confident from the work you've done on your body.

Like to ask A.D. about Living Fit? Send your questions in to FitforLiving@echelonfit.com.

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